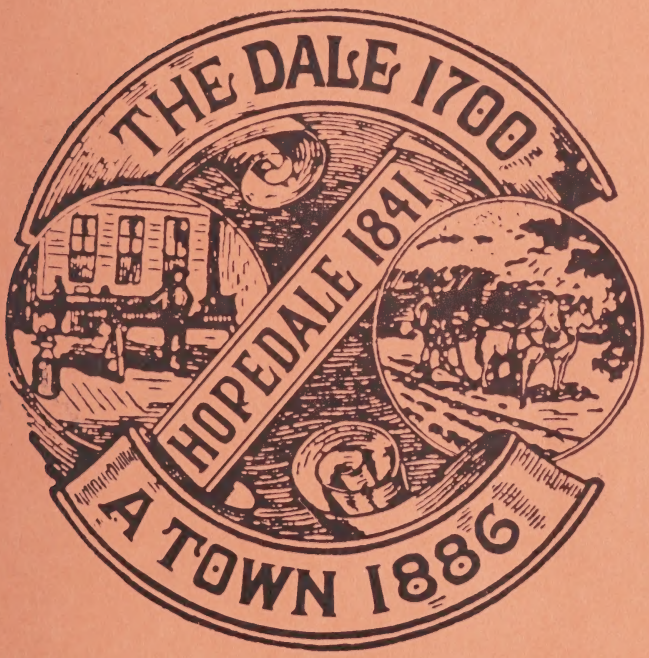
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF HOPEDALE



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*NRS= No report submitted

OFFICIALS IN MASSACHUSETTS AND WORCESTER COUNTY SERVING HOPEDALE IN 1987

UNITED STATES SENATOR

Edward M. Kennedy

John F. Kerry

GOVERNOR

Michael J. Dukakis

AUDITOR

A. Joseph DeNucci

STATE SENATOR MIDDLESEX AND WORCESTER DISTRICT

John P. Houston

REPRESENTATIVE GENERAL COURT EIGHTH WORCESTER DISTRICT

Richard T. Moore

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Evelyn F. Murphy

TREASURER

Robert Q. Crane

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Joseph D. Early

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Francis J. Holloway

John R. Sharry

Paul X. Tivnan

ATTORNEY GENERAL

James M. Shannon

GENERAL INTEREST

Town of Hopedale- Incorporated April 7, 1886

POPULATION

4,750

ELEVATION

271.94 Feet above sea level

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

First Monday in April

ANNUAL ELECTION

First Monday in March

AREA

5.34 Square Miles

ROAD MILEAGE

20.71, not including State highways

REGISTERED VOTERS

2,602

1987 ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

Town Moderator	Bernard J. Stock	1988
Selectmen	Robert E. Barrows, Chairman	1990
	Edward H. Scott*	1988
	Annette Lawson	1989
Town Clerk	Robert S. Phillips	1989
School Committee	David Coffey, Chairman	1988
	Mary Grady	1989
	John Abbruzzese	1989
	John McGrath	1989
	Robert Goss	1990
Trustees of Public Library	Anita Drisko, Chairperson	1988
	June Hanam	1989
	Gail A. Mikolaycic	1990
Road Commissioners	Merwin Noyes, Chairman	1988
	John Cutter	1990
	John Farrer	1989
Planning Board	Edward Condon, Chairman	1988
	D. Craig Travers	1992
	James Ronan	1989
	Robert Gately	1990
	Alan Bethel	1991
Member, Blackstone Valley Vocational High School Committee	Roger V. Burns	1990
Tree Warden	Bruce Lutz	1989
Sewer Commissioners	Benjamin F. Phillips, Chairman	1990
	Kenneth Mooradian	1989
	Paul Lawson	1988
Board of Health	Mark Ansart, Chairman	1988
	Charles Bishop	1990
	John Carter	1989
Housing Authority	Robert E. Pugh, Chairman	1992
	Paul Bresciani	1991
	Edward Malloy	1989
	Alice Phillips**	1990
	Margaret Bishop	1988
Park Commissioners	Willard Taft, Chairman	1988
	Albert Carnaroli	1990
	Bruce Lutz	1989

* Resigned June 1, 1987
** State Appointment

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MODERATOR

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES COMMITTEE

Roger Calarese
Donald Comastra
Robert Kozubal
Richard Savino
Vincent Tresham, Chairman

HANDICAPPED COMMISSION

Mary S. Challela, Chairman
Peter S. Ellis, Jr.
Robert S. Metcalf
Richard Gleason
Kathryn Patterson-Ryan

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Al Sparling, Acting Chairman
Donald Hayes; Superintendent, Hopedale Public Schools
Mary Grady, School Committee Representative
John McGrath, School Committee Representative
Jane Newhall
Mike Farrer
Linda Luckraft
Debbie Clasby
Attorney Joseph Antonellis
Roger Calarese
Michael Milanoski
John DiPietropolo

RED SHOP PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Marilyn Barrows
John Deiana
Chester Francis
William Gannett
Robert Hammond
Paul Lawson
Frederick Oldfield
Nora Rowny
Merrily Sparling

1987 APPOINTED OFFICERS

Administrator, Town	John A. Hayes	1988
Accountant, Town	Sandra Lombardi	1988
Affirmative Action Officer	John A. Hayes	1988
Aging, Council On	Frances Rae, Chairperson	1989
	Margaret Stanas, Secretary	1988
	Alfred Fettig	1990
	Mary Bibbo	1990
	Edward Damon	1989
	Robert Cummings	1988
	Robert Hammond	1988
	Gail Hensel	1989
	Richard Palmer	1989
Animal Inspector	Howard Miller	1988
Appeals, Zoning Board of	Eldon Biggs, Chairman	1990
	Roy Nutting	1988
	Thomas Roche	1989
	Charles Espanet, Jr.	1988
	Bruno Carnaroli	1989
	Norma E. Thurston, Assoc.	1990
Arts, Council on	Joanne Andreotti	1989
	Linda Gilbertson	1989
	Norma Rowny	1989
	Raymond Gaffney, Jr.	1989
	John Clinkman, Jr.	1989
	Wilma Manning	1989
	Joanne Travers	1989
	Lisa Ferrucci	1989
Assessors, Board of	Eugene Phillips, Chairman	1988
	William Caufield	1990
	Judith Brown	1987
Blackstone Valley Regional Development Corporation	Annette Lawson, Member	1988
	Susan LaMar, Alternate	1988
Building Commissioner	Edward Small	1988
Building Commissioner, Assistant	Thomas Hackenson	1988
Building Inspector, Assistant	Perry K. MacNevin	1988
Burial Permits Agent	George Mongiat	1988
Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Board Member	Robert Gately	1988
	Perry K. MacNevin	1988
Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Board	Susan G. LaMar, Member	1988

Civil Defense Director	Rolland Morin	1988
Conservation Commission	Donald A. Hayes	1989
	David Guglielmi	1990
	David Phillips	1990
	Walter Swift	1988
	John E. Farrar	1988
Constables	Eugene Costanza	1988
	Paul Castiglione	1988
	Thomas Lemon	1988
Counsel, Town	Atty. Robert S. Phillips	1988
Dog Officer	Howard Miller	1988
Finance Committee	Donald Comastra, Chairman	1990
	Victor Lamothe, Clerk	1988
	Edward Rizoli	1989
	Alfred Sparling	1990
	Raymond Andreotti	1988
	John MacDougall	1988
	Stephen Dawley	1989
	Patrick Doucette	1990
	Vincent Tresham	1989
Fire Chief	David M. Durgin	1988
Forestry Commission	Thomas Williams, Chairman	1990
	John Clinkman	1989
	David Sawyer	1988
Health Officer	Aloysius W. Farrell, M.D.	1988
Historical Commission	Olga Till	1988
	Eleanor Allen	1988
	Alfred Fettig	1988
	Brian Main	1988
	Robert Hammond	1988
	John Coxall	1988
	Paul Lawson	1988
	Lucille Damon, Alternate	1988
	Mary Challela, Alternate	1988
	Felicia Gaal, Alternate	1988
	Dorothy Milanoski, Alternate	1988
Industrial Development Commission	Paul Lawson, Chairman	1988
Insect Pest Control, Supt. of	David Sawyer	1988
Massachusetts Municipal Association Liaison	Robert E. Barrows	1988
Parking Fines Clerk	Sandra L. Lombardi	1988
Plumbing Inspector	Robert Rossetti	1988
Plumbing Inspector, Assistant	John Balanca	1988
Police Chief	Edward P. Allard	1990

Registrars, Board of	Paul Bresciani, Chairman	1988
	Rolland Morin	1990
	Helen Hammond	1989
Sanitation Officer	Benjamin F. Phillips	1988
Selectmen, Clerk to the Board of	Cathy A. Friend	1988
Sewer Superintendent	Benjamin F. Phillips	1988
Surplus Property Officer	John A. Hayes	1988
Tax Collector/Treasurer	M. Russell Dennett	1988
Tax Collector, Deputy	Frederick Kelley	1988
Veteran's Agent	Anthony Mastroianni	1988
Weigher's, Public	Jordan Carp	1988
	Nathan Ferman	1988
	David Hayward	1988
	William Hayward	1988
	Daniel O'Neil	1988
	Richard McGrath	1988
	John Gibson	1988
	Lucien Collin	1988
	Francis Hayward	1988
	Herman Schwenker	1988
Wiring, Inspector of	Albert Shimkus	1988
Wiring, Inspector, Assistant	Dennis W. Phillips	1988
Worcester County Advisory Board Delegate	Edward H. Scott	1987
Zoning Inspector	Edward F. Small	1988

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, SS:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Hopedale, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to vote at the Hopedale Community House, on Hope Street, TUESDAY, the SIXTEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1986, from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the State primary for the candidates of political parties for the following offices:

GOVERNOR	For the Commonwealth
LT. GOVERNOR	For the Commonwealth
ATTORNEY GENERAL	For the Commonwealth
SECRETARY	For the Commonwealth
TREASURER	For the Commonwealth
AUDITOR	For the Commonwealth
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS	Third Congressional District
COUNCILLOR	Seventh Councillor District
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT	First Worcester & Middlesex Senatorial District
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT	Eighth Representative District
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	Middle District
SHERIFF	Worcester County
COUNTY COMMISSIONER	Worcester County

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 2nd day of September, 1986

Robert E. Barrows, Chairman

Edward H. Scott, Member

Annette Lawson, Member

SELECTMEN OF HOPEDALE

STATE PRIMARY

Tuesday, September 16, 1986

The Polls opened at 7:00 A.M. at the Hopedale Community House, and closed at 8:00 P.M.

276 Democratic Ballots were cast.
45 Republican Ballots were cast.
321 Being the Total.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

GOVERNOR	
Michael S. Dukakis	217
Blanks	59
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	
Gerard D'Amico	92
Evelyn F. Murphy	181
Blanks	3
ATTORNEY GENERAL	
James M. Shannon	167
JoAnn Shotwell	82
Blanks	27
SECRETARY	
Michael Joseph Connolly	198
Blanks	78
TREASURER	
Robert Q. Crane	177
Blanks	96
AUDITOR	
A. Joseph DeNucci	144
Maura A. Hennigan	79
Charles Calvin Yancey	24
Blanks	29
CONGRESSMAN	
Joseph D. Early	214
Blanks	62
COUNCILLOR	
Thomas P. Hamilton	51
Les Harvey	67
James D. O'Brien, Jr.	89
Blanks	69

DISTRICT ATTORNEY	
John J. Conte	189
Blanks	87
SHERIFF	
Michael J. Donoghue	122
John M. Flynn	121
Blanks	33
COUNTY COMMISSIONER	
Francis J. Holloway	182
Blanks	94

REPUBLICAN PARTY

GOVERNOR	
Gregory S. Hyatt	18
Royall H. Switzler	11
Kerriotis	8
Blanks	8
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	
Nicholas M. Nikitas	38
Blanks	7
ATTORNEY GENERAL	
Edward F. Harrington	39
Blanks	6
SECRETARY	
Deborah R. Cochran	39
Blanks	6
TREASURER	
L. Joyce Hampers	40
Blanks	5
AUDITOR	
Andrew S. Natsios	32
William "Bill" Robinson	12
Blanks	1
CONGRESSMAN	
No Candidate	
Blanks	45
COUNCILLOR	
No Candidate	
Blanks	45
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT	
No Candidate	
Blanks	45

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT	
Paul J. Kelley	36
Blanks	9
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	
No Candidate	
Blanks	45
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT	
John Patrick Houston	201
Blanks	75
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT	
Richard T. Moore	206
Blanks	70
SHERIFF	
Alexander C. Stowe	36
Blanks	9
COUNTY COMMISSIONER	
No Candidate	
Blanks	45

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WARRANT FOR THE TOWN ELECTIONS

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

MARCH 2, 1987

WORCESTER, SS

To either of the constables in the Town of Hopedale, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid you are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale, qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the Hopedale Community House Building on Hope Street, on Monday, March 2, 1987 at eight o'clock in the forenoon to vote for the following Town Officers:

The polls will be open from 8 A.M. to 8 P.M.

One Selectmen	for 3 years
One Town Moderator	for 1 year (unexpired term)
One School Committee Member	for 3 years
One Board of Health Member	for 3 years
One Park Commissioner	for 3 years
One Park Commissioner	for 1 year (unexpired term)
One Library Trustee	for 3 years
One Road Commissioner	for 3 years
One Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational School Member	for 3 years
One Planning Board Member	for 5 years
One Housing Authority Member	for 5 years
One Water & Sewer Commissioner	for 3 years

And to vote upon one of the following NON BINDING questions requested by the School Committee and the Selectmen.

Question #

1. - A. I prefer keeping the Hopedale Schools as a seperate, independent, K-12 school system.

B. I prefer regionalizing the schools with Mendon-Upton.

Question #2

Would you vote for a tax increase to keep the Hopedale Schools separate and independent? Yes or No.

Question #3

"Are you in favor of the next Annual Town Meeting passing a strict dog control law that would require all dogs owned or kept in Hopedale to be restrained in their yards or leashed, if outside, at all times? Yes or No.

This notice shall be posted in three public places in the Town of Hopedale, one of which shall be the Town Hall, as required by the Town By-Laws, and you shall make your return thereof to the Town Clerk.

WITNESS OUR HANDS AND THE SEAL OF THE TOWN OF HOPEDALE this 17th day of February, 1987.

Robert E. Barrows, Chairman

Edward H. Scott, Member

Annette Lawson, Member

SELECTMEN OF HOPEDALE

February 17, 1987

I certify that I posted attested copies of the above warrant in the Hopedale Town Hall, Community House and Hopedale Post Office as directed.

Constable of Hopedale

TOWN ELECTION

March 2, 1987

Selectman, Three years

Robert E. Barrows	997
Blanks	385

Town Moderator, One year unexpired term

Bernard J. Stock	1,025
Blanks	357

School Committee, Three years

Louis J. Noferi, Jr.	471
Robert M. Goss, Jr.	868
Blanks	43

Library Trustee, Three years

Gail A. Mikolaycik	1,038
Blanks	344

Road Commissioner, Three years

John C. Cutter	757
David J. Phillips	593
Blanks	32

Park Commissioner, Three years

Albert P. Carnaroli	913
Thomas H. Williams	406
Blanks	63

Park Commissioner, One year unexpired term

David Sawyer	421
Willard W. Taft	822
Blanks	139

Water & Sewer Commissioner, Three years

Benjamin F. Phillips	940
Blanks	442

Board of Health, Three years

Charles L. Bishop	704
Water R. Swift	598
Blanks	80

Blackstone Valley School Committee, Three years

Roger V. Burns	1,065
Blanks	317

Planning Board, Five years

D. Craig Travers	1,046
Blanks	336

Housing Authority, Five years

Robert E. Pugh	1,044
Blanks	338

Question No. 1- Vote for one (1) only:

A. I prefer keeping the Hopedale Schools as a separate, independent, K-12 school system.	1,032
B. I prefer regionalizing the schools with Mendon-Upton.	299
Blanks	51

Question No. 2

Would you vote for a tax increase to keep the Hopedale Schools separate and independent?

Yes	698
No	612
Blanks	72

Question No. 3 - The following Question is non-binding and is inserted by the Selectmen to determine public opinion:

"Are you in favor of the next Annual Town Meeting passing a strict dog control law that would require all dogs owned or kept in Hopedale to be restrained in their yards or leashed, if outside, at all times?"

Yes	1,026
No	316
Blanks	40

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WORCESTER, SS.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

FEBRUARY 10, 1987

To either of the Constables in the Town of Hopedale in said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet in the Dennett Auditorium of the Hopedale Junior/Senior High School at 7:30 P.M., to act upon the following articles, namely:

Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to increase the appropriation voted under Article 9 of the Annual Town Meeting of April 7, 1986, from $162,350 to $182,950 and to transfer from available receipts collected under Chapter 83, Section 16 such sums of money as may be needed to fund this increased appropriation, or take any action in relation thereto. (Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners)

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to increase the appropriation voted under Article 10 of the Annual Town Meeting of April 7, 1986, from $201,150 to $203,750 and transfer from available receipts collected under Chapter 41, Section 69B such sums of money as may be needed to fund this increased appropriation, or take any action in relation thereto. (Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners)

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to accept and expend a grant in the amount of $100,000 on behalf of the Town from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Environmental Quality Engineering, said funds to be used for the rehabilitation of the Greene Street well fields, or take any action in relation thereto. (Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners)

Article 4: To see what disposition the Town will make of certain unexpended balances received from the United States of America under the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer the increase in Local Aid received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer the balance remaining in the Boncompagni House Proceeds Fund, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from the Reserved for Appropriation Account such sums of money as may be needed by various town departments, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/ or transfer funds from the Stabilization Fund such sums of money as may be needed by various town departments, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Hopedale Zoning Map dated May 1, 1973, by re-zoning from C (Commercial) to RC (Residential C) certain parcels of land containing 95.21 acres plus or minus bounded by South Main, Plain, Mellen, Warfield and Thayer Streets, Airport Drive, Tandem Way and Hartford Avenue, shown on plans including the legal description of said parcels filed with the Town Clerk and Planning Board dated November 5, 1986 and February 28, 1979, or take any action in relation thereto. (Planning Board)

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant with your doings thereon, and make return to the Clerk of the Town of Hopedale, at the time of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 5th day of January, 1987.

Robert E. Barrows, Chairman

Selectmen

of

Hopedale

Edward H. Scott

Annette Lawson

ATTEST: John L. Motari Jr
Constable of Hopedale

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747

FINANCE COMMITTEE

February 10, 1987

ARTICLE 1: Favorable; Increase in the Sewer Budget for FY'87 $2,600 Salary Account, $6,000 Chemical Account, $12,000 Capital Expenditures Account

ARTICLE 2: Favorable; Increase in the Water Budget for FY'87 $2,600 Salary Account

ARTICLE 3: Favorable; Acceptance of grant for Greene Street well fields

ARTICLES 4, 5, 6 and 7; Consist of monies needed to fund unanticipated expenditures in the Legal, Liability Insurance, Unclassified, General Government, Park, Police and Fire budgets.

In the case of the Fire and Police Departments, some of the unforeseen expenditures are the direct result of serious medical illnesses involving three employees.

The Fire Department deficit is being obtained from three different sources of revenue and thus you will hear motions that increase the Fire Department budget three times for a total of $10,352.

The other amounts to be voted on are as follows:

Police Department	19,565
Medicare Insurance	1,000
Liability Insurance	15,300
General Government	1,000
Park Department	3,000
Legal Department	5,500

The Finance Committee recommends favorable action on Article 4, 5, 6 and 7.

ARTICLE 8: Favorable; To add the additional sum of $126,000 to the Stabilization Fund.

ARTICLE 9: Recommended to pass over article.

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF

FEBRUARY 10, 1987

At 7:30 P.M. Moderator Bernard J. Stock called the meeting to order and declared a ten minute recess in order to allow all voters to enter the hall.

The meeting was reconvened at 7:45 P.M. and the Moderator appointed and had sworn in the following tellers for the meeting; Joyce Phillips, William Caufield, Francis Hanam, Al Sparling, John Hourihan, Paul Yanovitch, Kenneth Mooradian and Robert Moore.

Article 1: Voted unanimously to increase the appropriation voted under Article 9 of the Annual Town Meeting of April 7, 1986 from $162,350 to $182,950 to be funded from available receipts collected under Chapter 83, Section 16.

Article 2. Voted unanimously to increase the appropriation voted under Article 10 of the Annual Town Meeting of April 7, 1986, from $201,150 to $203,750 to be funded from available receipts collected under Chapter 41, Section 69B.

Article 3: Voted unanimously to authorize the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to accept and expend a grant in the amount of $100,000 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Environmental Quality Engineering, said fund to be used for the rehabilitation of the Greene Street well fields.

Article 4: Voted unanimously to make the following disposition of funds received from the United States of America under the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund, as follows:

The sum of $5,500 to Legal Fees, Other
The sum of $15,300 to Liability Insurance
for a total transfer of $20,800

Article 5: Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate from the increase in Local Aid received from the Commonwelath of Massachusetts the following sums of money:

$1,000 to increase the Unclassified budget for Medicare from 0 to $1,000

$1,000 to increase the General Government budget from $201,426 to $202,426

$3,000 to increase the Park Department budget from $22,337 to $25,337

$3,942 to increase the Fire Department budget from $144,008 to $147,950

For a total of $8,942.

Article 6: Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate and transfer from the Boncompagni House Proceeds Account the sum of $3,700.00 to increase the appropriation for the Fire Department from $147,950 to $151,650.

Article 7: Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate and transfer from the Reserved for Appropriation account the following sums of money:

$19,575 to increase the Police Department budget from $224,450 to $244,025

$2,700 to increase the Fire Department budget from $151,650 to $154,360

For a total of $22,275.

Article 8: Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate or transfer from any available sums in the Treasury the additional sum of $126,000 to be added to the Stabilization Fund.

Article 9: On a motion by Attorney Joseph M. Antonellis to amend the Hopedale Zoning Map dated May 1, 1973, by rezoning from C (Commercial) to RC (Residential C) certain parcels of land containing 95.21 acres, plus or minus, described as follows:

(Land being moved was the Airport property abutting areas of Mellen and Plain Streets).

On a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to dispense with the reading of the legal description of the property.

Chairman Condon of the Planning Board addressed the meeting and yielded to Member Robert Gately who gave the unfavorable recommendation of the Planning Board. The essence of Mr. Gatelys report was that in the opinion of the majority of the Planning Board sufficient information was not available at this time to properly assess the impact of the proposal on the town.

Chairman Donald Comastra of the Finance Committee presented the recommendation of the Finance Committee to pass over the article due to lack of information and long range impact to the town.

The Moderator then accepted a series of questions and comments from many interested residents for over one hour.

Mr. Gately then moved for a secret ballot and the motion failed by voice vote. A motion was made to move the question and passed 411 to 4.

The motion to rezone was then put to a standing vote by the Moderator. There were 424 voters present, of which 415 voted, requiring 274 to pass this article. 218 voters were in favor and 197 opposed, therefore the motion failed.

On a motion by Chairman Barrows it was unanimously voted to dissolve the warrant at 9:35 P.M.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WORCESTER, SS.
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
APRIL 6, 1987

To either of the Constables in the Town of Hopedale in said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale qualified to vote in town affairs to meet in the Dennett Auditorium of the Hopedale Junior/Senior High School at 7:45 P.M., to act upon the following articles, namely:

Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer an additional sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund for Fiscal Year 1987, as provided under Chapter 40, Section 5B, of the Massachusetts General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any available funds in the Treasury such sum or sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for Fiscal year 1987. (Finance Committee)

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant with your doings thereon and make return to the Clerk of the Town of Hopedale at the time of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 16th day of March, 1987

Edward H. Scott, Chairman

SELECTMEN
OF
HOPEDALE

Annette Lawson

Robert E. Barrows

ATTEST:

Constable of Hopedale

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

APRIL 6, 1987

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 by Moderator Bernard J. Stock.

The report of the Finance Committee was given by Chairman Donald Comastra with the following action taken by the meeting:

ARTICLE 1: Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $15,000 to be added to the Stabilization Fund as provided under Chapter 40, Section 5B of the Massachusetts General Laws.

ARTICLE 2: Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the following sums of money to be added to the department appropriations as voted under Article 15 at the Annual Town Meeting of April 7, 1986:

1.	Increase the Fire Department Salary Account by 14,100	
	Increase the Fire Department Equipment Account by 12,400	
	For a total Fire Department increase of	$26,500
2.	Increase the Unclassified Group Insurance Account by	8,500
3.	Increase the School Department budget by	20,000
4.	Increase the Highway snow removal budget by	21,807
5.	Increase the Reserve Fund by	5,000
6.	Increase the Weed Control budget by	15,000
	For a total of	$96,807

Under this article.

On a motion by Selectman Scott which was duly seconded it was VOTED to dissolve the warrant at 7:40 P.M.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

APRIL 6, 1987

FOR FISCAL YEAR 1987

To the citizens of Hopedale:

The following sums of money are available for fiscal year 1987 due to increased State Aid from Lottery Receipts and adjustments to our levy limit, due to additional new construction, by the Board of Assessors.

In order to address some known department deficits, capital outlay and requests that were considered jointly during our FY'88 review, we recommended favorable action as follows:

Increased State Aid through Lottery Distribution	$ 16,807
Additional new FY'87 Funds	95,000
Total Available	$111,807

Recommendations

Fire Department		
Operating Account (14,100 salaries; 2,400 for equipment)	16,500	
Capital Expenditures (protective gear)	10,000	
Total Fire Department		26,500
Medical Insurance Account		8,500
School Capital Expenses (portion of elevator for handicapped)		20,000
Highway Department (snow removal)		
Increased State Aid	16,807	
Additional New Funds	5,000	
Total Highway Department		21,807
Reserve Fund		5,000
Weed Control		15,000
Stabilization Fund		15,000
Total Amount of Recommendations		$111,807

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WORCESTER, SS.
TOWN WARRANT

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

APRIL 6, 1987

To either of the Constables in the Town of Hopedale in said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale qualified to vote in town affairs to meet on Monday, April 6, 1987 in the Dennett Auditorium of the Hopedale Junior/Senior High School at 7:30 P.M. to act upon the following articles, namely;

Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon the report of the Selectmen, and any other offices, departments and committees of said town. (Board of Selectmen)

Article 2: To see what salary and compensation the Town will allow each elected officer for his/her services. (Board of Selectmen)

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the Town. (Board of Selectmen)

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial year beginning July 1, 1987, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provision of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17. (Treasurer)

Article 5: To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to enter into compensating balance agreements during fiscal year 1988 as permitted by MGL Chapter 44, Section 53F, or take any action in relation thereto. (Treasurer)

Article 6: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell by sale or public auction any or all real estate owned by the Town by reason of the foreclosure to tax titles thereon and to execute, acknowledge and deliver a proper deed or deeds therefore, authority to expire May 1, 1988, or take any action in relation thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell at public or private sale, for such price as they consider equitable, and upon such terms and conditions as they deem necessary, parcels of vacant land presently under the control of the Board of Selectmen and not required for municipal purposes. The total area of land sold to any one person not to exceed two (2) acres.

A record of all sales giving the name and addresses of the purchasers, the area and location of the land sold and the price sold therefore shall be kept by the Selectmen and shall be available for public inspection at a reasonable times. Authority therefore to expire July 1, 1988, or take any action in relation thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to appoint a member of the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners as the paid Superintendent of Sewers for Fiscal Year 1988, or take any other action in relation thereto. (Water and Sewer Commissioners)

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate through assessments as provided under Chapter 83, Section 16, and to be collected under Chapter 44, Section 53E, the Bond Issue payments of the Sewer Department, or take any action in relation thereto. (Water and Sewer Commissioners)

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a transfer under Chapter 83, Section 16, certain anticipated receipts for the operational expenses of the Sewer Department, or take any action in relation thereto. (Water and Sewer Commissioners)

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer under Chapter 41, Section 69B, certain anticipated receipts for the operational expenses of the Water Department, or take any action in relation thereto. (Water and Sewer Commissioners)

Article 12: To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for insect pest control. (Finance Committee)

Article 13: To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the suppression of Dutch Elm Disease. (Finance Committee)

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay its share of the costs and expenses of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission District, or take any other action in relation thereto. (Planning Board)

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the towns assessment for the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School, or take any action in relation thereto. (Blackstone Valley Regional School Committee Member)

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to accept an equal educational opportunity grant for the Fiscal year 1987 in the amount of $149,669.00 under the provisions of MGL Chapter 70A, Section 5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said Grant shall be paid by the Commonwealth to and expended by the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District Committee for direct service expenditures. (Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District Committee)

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used by the Blackstone Valley Regional Development Corporation, or take any action in relation thereto. (Member, Blackstone Valley Regional Development Corporation)

Article 18: To see what disposition the Town will make of funds received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for maintenance of public roads, or take any action in relation thereto.
(Road Commissioners)

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Road Commissioners to appoint a member of the Board of Road Commissioners as the paid Road Inspector for Fiscal Year 1987, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any available funds in the Treasury, such sum or sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, as contained in the Finance Committee Report.
(Finance Committee)

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Overlay Reserve, a sum or sums of money for a Reserve Fund, or take any other action in relation thereto.
(Finance Committee)

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Bens Way as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto.
(Road Commissioners)

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Jones Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto.
(Road Commissioners)

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Patrick Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto.
(Road Commissioners)

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Taft Circle as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto.
(Road Commissioners)

Article 26: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Ballou Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto.
(Road Commissioners)

Article 27: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Gayle Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Richard Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 29: To see if the Town will vote to accept a layout of a portion of Westcott Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 30: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of a portion of Hammond Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 31: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of a portion of Tammie Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 32: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money for Capital Expenditures through purchasing, bonding or leasing, in various departments, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 33: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Stabilization Fund certain sums of money for Capital Expenditures in various town departments, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 34: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-Law, Chapter 8; Streets and Highways, by adding Section 13, as follows, or take any action in relation thereto:

> "No person shall shovel, throw by hand or machine, plow or otherwise cause snow to be placed on any road used by the public as a public way or any town accepted street. The owner of said property shall be held responsible for the acts of any contractor employed by them. The fine for each offense shall be $50.00".

(Board of Road Commissioners)

Article 35: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to enter into a twenty year contract with Signal Environmental Systems of Millbury, Massachusetts for the delivery of certain waste materials to the Millbury processing center for disposal, or take any action in relation thereto. (Board of Health)

Article 36: To see if the Town will vote to rescind action taken under Article 28 of the Annual Town Meeting of April 1, 1985 accepting the provisions of MGL Chapter 48, Section 42, or take any action in relation thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

Article 37: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of MGL Chapter 48, Section 42A, or take any action in relation thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

Article 38: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer form available funds a sum of money for the rehabilitation and maintenance of the Red Shop and/or to establish a committee, to be appointed by the Moderator, for the purpose of reviewing the options available to the town relative to the Red Shop, or take any action in relation thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

Article 39: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the creation of a School Building Committee, to be appointed by the Moderator, not be exceed twelve (12) members. At least two (2) members shall be current members of the School Committee and one (1) of whom shall be the Superintendent of Schools, or take any action in relation thereto. (School Building Needs Study Committee)

Article 40: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of $20,000.00 for the purpose of designer selection to be spent under the direction of the School Building Committee, or take any action in relation thereto. (School Building Needs Study Committee)

Article 41: To see if the Town will vote to amend the towns zoning map dated May 1, 1973, by changing from RB to C, a certain parcel of land located on South Main Street and listed on the Assessors Map as parcel 340 (VNA), or take any action in relation thereto. (Request of VNA)

Article 42: To see if the Town will vote to amend the towns zoning map dated May 1. 1973 by changing from GB to RB a certain parcel of land located on Mendon Street and listed on the Assessors Map as parcel 364, or take any action in relation thereto. (By Petition)

Article 43: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-Law, Chapter 14, by inserting the following, or take any action in relation thereto. (By Petition) See Attachment.

Article 44: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money to enforce the Dog Control By-Law, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 45: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the Stabilization Fund as provided under Chapter 40, Section 5B of the Massachusetts General Laws, or take any other action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 46: To see whether the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to take a sum or sums of money from available funds to reduce the tax levy for the current year or take any other action in relation thereto. (Board of Assessors)

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant with your doings thereon, and make return to the Clerk of the Town of Hopedale, at the time of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 17th day of February, 1987.

Robert E. Barrows, Chairman

SELECTMEN

OF

HOPEDALE

Edward H. Scott

Annette Lawson

ATTEST:
Constable of Hopedale

ARTICLE 43

CHAPTER 14 DOG LEASH LAW

Section 1. Prohibition Against Unleashed Dogs

No person keeping, owning or having possession, charge, custody or control of any dog shall cause, permit, suffer or allow the dog to stray, run be or go, in any manner at large in or upon any public street way, sidewalk, school yard or grounds, park or private property of others without the express consent of the owner of such private property, except such dog that may be under control by means of a chain or leash, not longer than six feet in length.

Section 2. Authority and Duties of Dog Officer

Any dog found to be at large in violation of this by-law shall be caught and confined by the dog officer, who shall notify forthwith the licensed owner or keeper of said dog. The owner or keeper of said dog shall have seven days from receipt of notice thereof to reclaim said dog from the dog officer. Return of the dog to the licensed owner or keeper shall be dependent on admission of ownership or the keeping of the dog, the assumption of responsibility thereof, and the payment of any fee or charges due for such confinement as provided by this by-law.

Section 3. Fees for Dogs Confined

The owner or keeper of any dog so confined by the Dog Officer, under the provisions of this by-law, shall be responsible for a fee of $10.00 per day for each day of confinement, for the costs of such care and maintenance of such dog.

Section 4. Disposal of Unclaimed Dogs

Any dog under confinement of the Dog Officer that shall not have been claimed by the owner or keeper at the end of the said seven day period shall be transferred or sold to the care and control of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals or some other similar organization or person offering to pay all charges for confinement. In no case shall a dog be sold or delivered or given to any person or organization intending to use said dog for vivisection purposes.

Section 5. Rabies Vaccinations

No person or organization shall own or keep in this town any dog which has not been vaccinated against rabies within 24 months. This section shall not apply to dogs under six months of age.

Section 6. Noisy or Biting Dogs--Confinement of Unspayed Female Dogs

No person or organization shall own or keep in this town any dog that bites, or by barking, howling, or in any other manner disturbs the peace or quiet of any neighborhood or endangers the safety of any person. No person or organization shall own or keep any unspayed female dog in season when not confined in an adequate enclosure on the property or housed in a veterinarian hospital or registered kennel. It shall be the duty of the Dog Officer to apprehend any such dog and to impound such dog in a suitable place, or to order the owner thereof to restrain such dog. Any dog so impounded may be reclaimed or disposed of as provided in Section 3 or 4.

Section 7. License Fees and Procedure

The annual fee for every dog license shall be four dollars for a male dog and seven dollars for a female dog unless a certificate of a registered veterinarian who performed the operation certified that such female dog has been spayed, in which case the fee shall be four dollars. A certified copy of such certificate on file in the office of any town Clerk within the Commonwealth may be accepted as evidence that such operation has been performed. If the Town Clerk is satisfied that a certificate of the veterinarian who spayed the dog cannot be obtained, he may accept in lieu thereof a statement signed under the penalties of perjury by a registered veterinarian doing business in this commonwealth stating that he has examined said dog and that it appears in his opinion to have been spayed. No fee shall be charged for a license for a dog specially trained to lead or serve blind persons, provided a certificate attesting to same is provided by the division of the blind. April 15th is established as the deadline date for procurement of a dog license. After that date, a penalty charge of one dollar will be added to the license fee.

No kennel license shall be issued in the town and no person or household shall keep more than three (3) dogs over the age of three (3) months. This provision shall not apply to the Dog Officer, who may keep dogs in accordance with his duties.

Section 8. Exception

The provisions of this by-law shall not apply to any person or organization who owns, keeps or maintains any dog as a part of a canine corps for the commonwealth or any of its political sub-divisions while actually engaged in the performance of official duties.

Section 9. Authority to Prosecute Violations

The Dog Officer, or if none the Police Department, of the Town shall prosecute any violations of this by-law.

Section 10. Penalties

A violation of this by-law shall be punished by a fine of $20.00 for the first offense, $30.00 for the second offense and $50.00 for the third or subsequent offense during any one calendar year.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

FISCAL YEAR 1988

APRIL 6, 1987

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Donald Comastra, Chairman
Edward Rizoli, Vice Chairman
Victor Lamothe, Secretary

Raymond Andreotti
Stephen Dawley
Patrick Doucette
John MacDougall
Alfred Sparling
Vincent Tresham

To the Citizens of Hopedale:

Attached are the Finance Committees budget recommendations to the Annual Town Meeting for Fiscal Year 1988. Total budget recommendations represent an increase of approximately $600,000 or 12.6% over last years expenditures. A break down of the source of this additional revenue is as follows:

Taxes, new construction	$400,000
Increased local receipts	55,703
Increased State Aid	72,170
Allowable 2½% increase over FY'87	68,358
Total increase in funds	$596,231

This expenditure growth rate is considerable, and is one which the Town will not likely sustain. As new construction and increases in State Aid decline in future years, town departmental budget growth will have to be significantly curtailed. This includes salary accounts which make up approximately 60% of town spending.

Some highlights of the Finance Committee budget recommendations for the coming fiscal year are:

*An increase in the Health and Sanitation budget from 100,495 to 229,029 to provide for the increased costs of rubbish removal.

*An increase of $278,730 in the School Department budget, which represents 11.8% over FY'87. This figure excludes capital items that total $64,000 plus a possible future expenditure of $65,000 for additional classroom space.

*The addition of three full-time police officers to provide two certified officers on all shifts. Additionally, we are recommending that the town retain the present 1985 cruiser which was due for replacement. This will result in a total of three cruisers for the department.

*The purchase (through bonding) of Highway Department Equipment totaling approximately $92,000. This includes a new $82,000 street sweeper.

*$20,000 for the hiring of a school designer/consultant.

*An increase in the Stabilization Fund of $81,000.

*An increase of 37% in the Unclassified Accounts (from $202,542 to $277,950) due primarily to increases in liability and medical insurance.

Compared to most surrounding towns Hopedale has faired very well financially over the past three years. We have been able to increase our staffing in Police and School Departments as well as allow for large increases in salaries, rubbish removal and insurance premiums.

The Finance Committee feels that the recommendations contained in this report represent a budget which will enable the town to continue to offer a high level of services to its residents.

For the Hopedale Finance Committee

Donald D. Comastra, Chairman

RECOMMENDATIONS

		FY'87	FY'88	Total
Article 2:	Favorable, Salaries of Elected Officials			
	Selectman, Chairman	903	1,000	
	Selectmen, Members	723*	850*	
	Moderator	152	200	
	Town Clerk	2,116	5,000	
	Tree Warden	423	600	
	Board of Health, Chairman	418	500	
	Board of Health, Members	305*	450*	
	Road Commissioners, Chairman	423	500	
	Road Commissioners, Members	305*	450*	
	Park Commissioners, Chairman	237*	300*	
	Park Commissioners, Members	181	250	
	Sewer Commissioners, Chairman	361	500	
	Sewer Commissioners, Members	361*	450*	
	Board of Assessors, Chairman**	1,270	0	
	Board of Assessors, Members**	1,028	0	
	Total	12,107	13,500	0
Article 3:	Favorable, Legal Proceedings			0
Article 4:	Favorable, Treasurer, borrowing money			0
Article 5:	Favorable, Treasurer, compensating balance accounts			0
Article 6:	Favorable, Foreclosure, tax payments			0
Article 7:	Favorable, Selling of land, less than 2 acres			0
Article 8:	Favorable, Appointment of Sewer Superintendent			0

* Each

**Assessors are now Appointed Officials, not Elected, and their salaries are covered within the General Government Salary Account for Fiscal Year 1988.

		FY'87 Approp.	FY'88 Request	FY'88 Recom.	Total
Article 9:	Favorable Sewer Bond Issue	130,027	127,745	127,745	127,745
Article 10:	Favorable Sewer Department	182,950	210,900	210,900	210,900
Article 11:	Favorable Water Department	203,750	227,150	227,150	227,150
Article 12:	Favorable Insect Pest Control	300	300	300	300
Article 13:	Favorable Dutch Elm Disease	500	1,000	1,000	1,000
Article 14:	Favorable Central Mass. Regional Planning Comm.	631	647	647	647
Article 15:	Favorable Blackstone Valley School	16,771	21,713	21,713	21,713
Article 16:	Favorable Blackstone Valley School Grant				0
Article 17:	Favorable Blackstone Valley Regional Development Corporation	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Article 18:	Favorable State Grants and Funds for Highway Maintenance				0
Article 19:	Favorable Appointment of Road Inspector				0
Article 20:	Favorable Department budgets				
	GENERAL OFFICE				
	Salaries	54,400	67,500	67,500	
	Other	21,640	30,500	28,887	
	Total	76,040	98,000	96,387	

	FY'87 Approp.	FY'88 Request	FY'88 Recom.	Total
SELECTMEN	2,200	3,300	2,500	
TOWN HALL				
Heating Oil	10,100	10,000	10,000	
Utilities	3,000	3,000	3,000	
Other	5,950	7,160	7,098	
Total	19,050	20,160	20,098	
ASSESSORS				
Salaries	41,325	53,250	53,340	
Other	31,100	23,100	23,100	
Total	72,425	76,352	76,440	
BOARD OF REGISTRARS				
Salaries	1,216	1,302	1,302	
Other	1,324	50	50	
Total	2,540	1,352	1,352	
FINANCE COMMITTEE	250	250	250	
ZONING, BOARD OF APPEALS				
Notice Fees	500	500	500	
Zoning Books	0	1,500	500	
Total	500	2,000	1,000	
TOWN CLERK				
Salaries	2,500	2,808	2,675	
Other	780	5,095	5,095	
Total	3,280	7,903	7,770	
DOG OFFICER				
Salaries	2,730	2,922	2,867	
Other	550	1,381	1,379	
Total	3,355	4,303	4,246	
TOWN COUNSEL				
Salary	1,929	6,500	6,500	
Other	525	100	100	
Outside Counsel	0	10,000	10,000	
Total	2,454	16,600	16,600	

	FY'87 Approp.	FY'88 Request	FY'88 Recom.	Total
COUNCIL ON ARTS				
Band Concerts	2,500	2,500	2,500	
Other	50	50	50	
Total	2,550	2,550	2,550	2,550
COUNCIL ON AGING				
Salary	3,000	4,000	4,000	
Other	6,084	6,621	6,621	
Total	9,048	10,621	10,621	10,621
STREET LIGHTING	27,800	29,250	29,250	29,250
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT				
Salaries & O.T.	102,595	113,614	110,787	
Other	81,680	97,780	89,780	
Total	184,275	211,394	200,567	200,567
PUBLIC SAFETY BLDG.				
Salary	1,272	1,468	1,441	
Utilities	10,250	11,000	11,000	
Gasoline	11,000	11,000	11,000	
Other	4,100	4,900	4,900	
Total	26,622	28,368	28,341	28,341
POLICE DEPARTMENT				
Salaries & O.T.	209,200	255,884	255,884	
Other	27,250	38,528	38,528	
Total	236,450	294,372	294,372	294,372
FIRE DEPARTMENT				
Salaries & O.T.	125,548	154,800	134,200	
Other	18,460	16,890	26,890	
Total	144,008	171,690	161,090	161,090
CIVIL DEFENSE	416	416	0	0
TREE WARDEN	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
WEED CONTROL	5,000	24,000	5,000	5,000

	FY'87 Approp.	FY'88 Request	FY'88 Recom.	Total
UNCLASSIFIED				
Pensions	27,500	28,200	28,200	
Insurance	77,000	128,000	128,000	
Town Cemetery	1,042	1,350	1,350	
Memorial Day	500	600	600	
Group Insurance	88,000	114,000	114,000	
Total	194,042	277,950	277,950	277,950
MATURING DEBT & INTEREST				
Heating System FY'97	16,000	16,000	16,000	
Interest, Heating Syst.	9,400	9,400	9,400	
Public Safety Equipment	10,834	0	0	
Int., Public Safety Equip.	786	0	0	
Public Safety Energy	5,000	0	0	
Int., Public Safety Energy	363	0	0	
School Buses	0	11,818	11,818	
Interest, School Buses	0	3,428	3,428	
Fire Pumper	0	29,000	29,000	
Interest, Fire Pumper	0	8,700	8,700	
Interest on Temporary Loans	20,000	20,000	20,000	
Total	62,383	98,346	98,346	98,346
ARTICLE 20: Total Departments Budget	3,697,254	4,796,878	4,465,166	4,465,166
ARTICLE 21: Favorable Reserve Fund	32,000	43,475	43,475	43,475

ARTICLES 22 through 31: Table to June Special Town Meeting at the recommendation of the Board of Road Commissioners

ARTICLE 32: Favorable
Bonding of the following requests:

Highway Department- $94,000
(Road Sweeper, $82,000; Sander, $5,100; 2 Plows, $6,900)

School Department- $57,000
(School bus, $32,000; Elevator for handicapped $25,000)

Total Bond Issues- $151,000

		FY'87 Approp.	FY'88 Recom.	Total
ARTICLE 33:	Table at request of Finance Committee			0
ARTICLE 34:	Favorable Town By-law regarding proper snow removal			0
ARTICLE 35:	Favorable 20 year contract for disposal of rubbish			0
ARTICLE 36:	Favorable Rescind Strong Fire Chiefs Law, Chapter 48, Section 42			0
ARTICLE 37:	Favorable Adopt Chapter 48, Section 42A for Fire Chief appointment			0
ARTICLE 38:	Favorable as follows Creation of a Committee to study and recommend options available to town	0	17,000	5,000
	Appropriate $5,000 for emergency repairs			
ARTICLE 39:	Favorable Creation of a School Building Committee			0
ARTICLE 40:	Favorable Funding for the purpose of designer selection	0	20,000	20,000
ARTICLE 41:	Favorable Re-zoning of VNA from RB to C			0
ARTICLE 42:	Unfavorable Re-zoning of a parcel on Mendon Street from GB to RB			0
ARTICLE 43:	Favorable Adoption of a dog leash law			0
ARTICLE 44:	Table at the request of the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee			0

	FY'87 Approp.	FY'88 Recom.	Total
ARTICLE 45: Favorable Appropriation for Stabilization Fund	81,000	81,000	81,000
ARTICLE 46: Table, no funds available	0	0	0
TOTAL RECOMMENDATIONS:	4,466,863	5,206,096	5,206,096
OTHER LOCAL EXPENDITURES			
Temporary Loan Interest Deficit	40,000	10,000	
County Retirement Fund	147,748	124,963	
Cherry Sheet Changes	75,495	78,714	
Overlay Reserve for abatements	100,000	50,000	
Total	363,243	263,677	263,677
ESTIMATED RECEIPTS			
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	176,000	220,000	
Licenses and Permits	50,521	38,000	
Fines	13,500	15,000	
General Government	6,000	8,000	
Police & Fire Departments	3,000	2,500	
Health & Sanitation	530	0	
Highways	800	0	
Library	250	300	
Country Club Rental	7,500	7,500	
Interest Earned	30,000	20,000	
Revenue Sharing	45,000	0	
Water & Sewer Departments	493,527	565,795	
Cherry Sheet Receipts	1,281,455	1,382,764	
Town Hall Rentals	6,000	6,000	
Other	400	400	
Boncompagni Proceeds	94,880	0	
Pension Reimbursement			
TOTAL:	2,211,356	2,267,059	2,267,059

TOTAL DEPARTMENT BUDGETS	4,465,166	
Water and Sewer	565,795	
Insect Pest Control	300	
Dutch Elm Disease	1,000	
Stabilization Fund	81,000	
Reserve Fund	43,475	
Central Massachusetts Planning	647	
Blackstone Valley School	21,713	
Blacsktone Valley Regional Development Corporation	2,000	
Red Shop repairs	5,000	
Designer Selection, School	20,000	
TOTAL OTHER APPROPRIATIONS	740,930	
TOTAL ALL APPROPRIATIONS		5,206,096
Plus other Local Expenditures		263,677
Total Recommended Expenditures		5,469,773
Minus Total Estimated Receipts		2,267,059
Net to be raised		3,202,714
Allowable Tax Levi		3,202,714
Surplus		0

MINUTES
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 6, 1987

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 P.M. by Moderator Bernard J. Stock.

ARTICLE 1: Chairman Scott moved to hear and act upon the reports of the Board of Selectman and any other officers, motion duly seconded and voted unanimously the following reports were received:

Mary Grady, representing the Hopedale School Committee
Alfred Sparling, representing the School Building Needs Study Committee
Robert Barrows, representing the Birthday Committee

ARTICLE 2: On a motion by Selectman Barrows it was unanimously voted that the Town allow each elected officer for his/her services the following compensation:

Moderator	200.00
Chairman, Board of Selectmen	1,000.00
2nd Member, Board of Selectmen	850.00
3rd Member, Board of Selectmen	850.00
Town Clerk	5,000.00
Tree Warden	600.00
Chairman, Board of Health	500.00
2nd Member, Board of Health	450.00
3rd Member, Board of Health	450.00
Chairman, Board of Road Commissioners	500.00
2nd Member, Board of Road Commissioners	450.00
3rd Member, Board of Road Commissioners	450.00
Chairman, Board of Park Commissioners	300.00
2nd Member, Board of Park Commissioners	250.00
3rd Member, Board of Park Commissioners	250.00
Chairman, Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners	500.00
2nd Member, Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners	450.00
3rd Member, Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners	450.00

ARTICLE 3: On a motion by Selectwoman Lawson it was unanimously voted to authorize the Selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the Town.

ARTICLE 4: On a motion by Treasurer/Collector Russell Dennett it was unanimously voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial year beginning July 1, 1987, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 5: On a motion by Treasurer/Collector Russell Dennett it was unanimously voted to authorize the Treasurer/Collector to enter into compensating balance agreements during Fiscal Year 1988 as permitted by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53F.

ARTICLE 6: On a motion by Chairman Scott it was unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Selectmen to sell by sale or public auction any or all real estate owned by the Town by reason of the foreclosure of tax titles thereon and to execute, acknowledge and deliver a proper deed or deeds therefore, authority to expire May 1, 1988.

ARTICLE 7: On a motion by Selectman Barrows it was unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell at a public sale, during a legally convened meeting, for such price as they deem necessary, parcels of vacant land presently under the control of the Board of Selectmen and not required for any municipal purposes. The total area of land sold to any one person shall not exceed two acres. A record of all sales giving the name and addresses of the purchases, and the area and location of the land sold and the price sold therefore, shall be kept by the Selectmen and shall be available for public inspection at all reasonable times. Authority therefore to expire July 1, 1988.

ARTICLE 8: On a motion by Commissioner Mooradian it was unanimously voted to authorize the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to appoint a member of the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners as the paid Superintendent of Sewers for Fiscal Year 1988.

ARTICLE 9: On a motion by Commissioner Mooradian it was unanimously voted to appropriate the sum of $127,745.00 through assessment as authorized under Chapter 83, Section 16, to be collected under Chapter 44, Section 53 E, the Bond Issue payments due, principal and interest, for Fiscal Year 1988.

ARTICLE 10: On a motion by Commissioner Lawson it was unanimously voted to appropriate the sum of $210,900.00 to be collected under Chapter 83, Section 16, for operational expenses of the Sewer Department.

ARTICLE 11: On a motion by Commissioner Lawson it was unanimously voted to appropriate the sum of $227,150.00 to be collected under Chapter 41, Section 69B, for the operational expenses of the Water Department.

ARTICLE 12: On a motion by Finance Committee Chairman Donald Comastra it was unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Insect Pest Control.

ARTICLE 13: On a motion by Chairman Comastra it was unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for the suppression of Dutch Elm Disease.

ARTICLE 14: On a motion by Planning Board Chairman Edward Condon it was unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $647.00 to pay its share of costs and expenses of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission District.

ARTICLE 15: On a motion by the Blackstone Valley Regional School Committee Member, Roger Burns, it was unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $21,713.00 for the Towns assessment for the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School.

ARTICLE 16: On a motion by Committee Member Roger Burns it was unanimously voted that the Town accept an equal educational opportunity grant for the Fiscal Year 1987 in the amount of $149,669.00 under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 70A, Section 5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant shall be paid by th Commonwealth to and expended by the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District Committee for direct service expenditures.

ARTICLE 17: On a motion by Selectwoman Lawson it was unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to be used by the Blackstone Valley Regional Development Corporation.

ARTICLE 18: On a motion by Road Commissioner Chairman Merwin Noyes it was unanimously voted that the Board of Road Commissioners, under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen, accept and expend the town share of funds as contained in the Commonwealths highway aid programs.

ARTICLE 19: On a motion by Chairman Noyes it was unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Board of Road Commissioners to appoint a member of the Board of Road Commissioners as the paid Superintendent of Streets for Fiscal Year 1988.

ARTICLE 20: On a motion by Chairman Comastra that the Town raise and appropriate such sum or sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, as contained in the Finance Committee report.

The Chairman then read each line item contained in the Finance Committee report and several were held for further discussion.

All questions were answered to the satisfaction of the voters, except the Civil Defense budget. Civil Defense Director Rolland Morin moved to raise and appropriate the sum of $416 for Civil Defense, said sum of money to be deducted from the Stabilization Fund Account. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

The Moderator called for a vote on the total budget as amended in the amount of $4,465,582.00 and it was unanimously voted.

ARTICLE 21: On a motion by Chairman Comastra it was unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $43,475.00 for a Reserve Fund.

ARTICLES 22-31: On a motion by Chairman Noyes it was unanimously voted to table Articles 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31 for action during the next Special Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 32: On a motion by Chairman Comastra it was unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $151,000.00 for the purchase of Highway Equipment consisting of a Street Sweeper, Sander and two plows totaling $94,000; and for the purchase of School Department equipment consisting of a School Bus and installation of an elevator for the handicapped totaling $57,000, and to effect this appropriation by authorizing the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow through a five year bond issue in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7, Clause 9, or any other enabling authority.

ARTICLE 33: On a motion by Chairman Comastra it was unanimously voted to table Article 33.

ARTICLE 34: On a motion by Chairman Noyes it was unanimously voted to amend the Town By-Law, Chapter 8, Streets and Highways, by adding Section 13, as follows:

> "No person shall shovel, throw by hand or machine, plow or otherwise cause snow to be placed on any road used by the public as a public way or any town accepted street, unless prior written permission has been obtained by the Board of Road Commissioners. The owner of said property shall be held responsible for the acts of any contractor employed by them. The fine for each offense shall be $50.00."

ARTICLE 35: On a motion by Board of Health Chairman Mark Ansart it was unanimously voted to enter into a twenty year contract under the provisions of M.G.L.A. Chapter , Section , with Signal Environmental Systems of Millbury, Massachusetts for the processing of certain waste materials as may be collected within the Town of Hopedale under approved rubbish removal contracts.

ARTICLE 36: Selectwoman Lawson made a motion to rescind action taken under Article 28, of the Annual Town Meeting of April 1, 1985, regarding the appointment of the position of Fire Chief under Chapter 48, Section 42 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Selectwoman Lawson explained the position of the majority of the Board of Selectmen on this Article and the reasons for adoption this section of the General Laws. A great deal of discussion followed with Selectman Barrows stating his opinion against adopting this section. A vote was taken and the Moderator required a standing vote as results could not be determined through a voice vote.

Tellers were appointed and sworn in and the vote was 98 in favor and 96 opposed therefore the motion carried.

ARTICLE 37: On a motion by Chairman Scott it was voted to accept the provision of M.G.L.A. Chapter 48, Section 42A for the appointment of the position of Fire Chief. The Moderator ruled the motion passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 38: On a motion by Selectwoman Lawson it was unanimously voted to allow the moderator to appoint a committee consisting of at least five residents, one or more to be members of the Historical Commission, to be known as the "Red Shop Preservation Committee". Said Committee to be authorized to review any and all alternatives to the town regarding the Red Shop and it was further voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 to be expended by this committee for emergency repairs to the building known as the "Red Shop".

ARTICLE 39: On a motion by Al Sparling it was unanimously voted to authorize the creation of a School Building Committee, to be appointed by the Moderator, not to exceed twelve (12) members. At least two (2) members shall be current members of the School Committee and one (1) of whom shall be the Superintendent of Schools.

ARTICLE 40: On a motion by Al Sparling it was unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $20,000.00 for the purpose of designer selection to be spent under the direction of the School Building Committee.

ARTICLE 41: On a motion by Al Sparling it was unanimously voted to table this article at the request of the petitioners.

ARTICLE 42: On a motion by Edith Fulton, it was moved to amend the Town Zoning Map from GB to kB on a certain parcel of land located on a certain parcel of land on Mendon Street listed as parcel #364 and owned by the Calarese Family.

A slide presentation followed by Attorney Louis Noferi with several questions being asked. Mr. Roger Calarese then made a presentation to the meeting outlining his position on this parcel and its intended use. Further discussion ensued and the question was moved.

A standing vote resulted in 29 in favor and 119 opposed. A two-third vote was needed to pass therefore the motion failed.

ARTICLE 43: Selectman Barrows moved to amend the towns By-Law by inserting Chapter 14 Dog Leash Law, as contained in the warrant, with the following correction;

> Section 9, Authority to Prosecute Violators should read, "The Dog Officer and/or the Police Department", in place of "The Dog Officer or if none the Police Department".

The Moderator called for a vote on the Article as presented and it passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 44: Chairman Comastra moved to table Article 44 and it was unanimously voted.

ARTICLE 45: Chairman Comastra moved to raise and appropriate the sum of $80,584.00 to be added to the Stabilization Fund as provided under Chapter 40, Section 5B of the Massachusetts General Laws.

ARTICLE 46: Chairman Comastra moved to table Article 46, and it was unanimously voted.

Chairman Scott moved to dissolve the warrant at 10:08 P.M.

ARTICLE 43

CHAPTER 14 DOG LEASH LAW

Section 1. Prohibition Against Unleashed Dogs

No person keeping, owning or having possession, charge, custody or control of any dog shall cause, permit, suffer or allow the dog to stray, run be or go, in any manner at large in or upon any public street way, sidewalk, school yard or grounds, park or private property of others without the express consent of the owner of such private property, except such dog that may be under control by means of a chain or leash, not longer than six feet in length.

Section 2. Authority and Duties of Dog Officer

Any dog found to be at large in violation of this by-law shall be caught and confined by the dog officer, who shall notify forthwith the licensed owner or keeper of said dog. The owner or keeper of said dog shall have seven days from receipt of notice thereof to reclaim said dog from the dog officer. Return of the dog to the licensed owner or keeper shall be dependent on admission of ownership or the keeping of the dog, the assumption of responsibility thereof, and the payment of any fee or charges due for such confinement as provided by this by-law.

Section 3. Fees for Dogs Confined

The owner or keeper of any dog so confined by the Dog Officer, under the provisions of this by-law, shall be responsible for a fee of $10.00 per day for each day of confinement, for the costs of such care and maintenance of such dog.

Section 4. Disposal of Unclaimed Dogs

Any dog under confinement of the Dog Officer that shall not have been claimed by the owner or keeper at the end of the said seven day period shall be transferred or sold to the care and control of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals or some other similar organization or person offering to pay all charges for confinement. In no case shall a dog be sold or delivered or given to any person or organization intending to use said dog for vivisection purposes.

Section 5. Rabies Vaccinations

No person or organization shall own or keep in this town any dog which has not been vaccinated against rabies within 24 months. This section shall not apply to dogs under six months of age.

Section 6. Noisy or Biting Dogs--Confinement of Unspayed Female Dogs

No person or organization shall own or keep in this town any dog that bites, or by barking, howling, or in any other manner disturbs the peace or quiet of any neighborhood or endangers the safety of any person. No person or organization shall own or keep any unspayed female dog in season when not confined in an adequate enclosure on the property or housed in a veterinarian hospital or registered kennel. It shall be the duty of the Dog Officer to apprehend any such dog and to impound such dog in a suitable place, or to order the owner thereof to restrain such dog. Any dog so impounded may be reclaimed or disposed of as provided in Section 3 or 4.

Section 7. License Fees and Procedure

The annual fee for every dog license shall be four dollars for a male dog and seven dollars for a female dog unless a certificate of a registered veterinarian who performed the operation certified that such female dog has been spayed, in which case the fee shall be four dollars. A certified copy of such certificate on file in the office of any town Clerk within the Commonwealth may be accepted as evidence that such operation has been performed. If the Town Clerk is satisfied that a certificate of the veterinarian who spayed the dog cannot be obtained, he may accept in lieu thereof a statement signed under the penalties of perjury by a registered veterinarian doing business in this commonwealth stating that he has examined said dog and that it appears in his opinion to have been spayed. No fee shall be charged for a license for a dog specially trained to lead or serve blind persons, provided a certificate attesting to same is provided by the division of the blind. April 15th is established as the deadline date for procurement of a dog license. After that date, a penalty charge of one dollar will be added to the license fee.

No kennel license shall be issued in the town and no person or household shall keep more than three (3) dogs over the age of three (3) months. This provision shall not apply to the Dog Officer, who may keep dogs in accordance with his duties.

Section 8. Exception

The provisions of this by-law shall not apply to any person or organization who owns, keeps or maintains any dog as a part of a canine corps for the commonwealth or any of its political sub-divisions while actually engaged in the performance of official duties.

Section 9. Authority to Prosecute Violations

The Dog Officer, and/or the Police Department, of the Town shall prosecute any violations of this by-law.

Section 10. Penalties

A violation of this by-law shall be punished by a fine of $20.00 for the first offense, $40.00 for the second offense and $50.00 for the third or subsequent offense during any one calendar year.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WORCESTER, SS.
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

JUNE 23, 1987

To either of the Constables in the Town of Hopedale in said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale qualified to vote in town affairs to meet in the Dennett Auditorium of the Hopedale Junior/Senior High School at 7:30 P.M., to act upon the following articles, namely:

Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer certain unexpended balances from certain accounts to other accounts for FY'87 to meet a deficit in other accounts, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to increase the appropriation voted under Article 9 of the Annual Town Meeting of April 7, 1986 and to transfer from available receipts collected under Chapter 83, Section 16, such sums of money as may be needed to fund this increased appropriation, or take any action in relation thereto. (Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners)

Article 3: To see what disposition the Town will make of monies received from the United States of America under the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for FY'87, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer all remaining monies from the Boncompagni Fund to be applied to Fiscal Year 1987 deficits, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum or sums of money voted under Article 17 of the April 7, 1986 Town Meeting; Article 8, February 10, 1987 Special Town Meeting and Article 1, April 6, 1987, Special Town Meeting from the amounts appropriated to the Stabilization Fund to reduce deficits in other accounts for Fiscal Year 1987, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from the Reserved for Appropriation Account a sum of money to the Board of Park Commissioners for general maintenance and clean up of the Parklands for FY'88, or take any action in relation thereto. (Park Commissioners)

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to decrease the total amount voted under Article 32 of the April 6, 1987 Town Meeting for FY'88 bonding for Capital Expenditures, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in order to increase and/or decrease action taken for FY'88 at the April 6, 1987 Town Meeting under Article 20 on the following line items; Schools and Maturing Debt and Interest, or take any action in relation thereto. (Finance Committee)

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds for FY'88 a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners for the replacement of a 12" water main on Freedom Street, or take any action in relation thereto. (Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners)

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or or transfer from available funds for FY'88 a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Road Commissioners for engineering services associated with the replacement of the Freedom Street bridge, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for FY'88 a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Road Commissioners to repair that section of Freedom Street and associated work involved in the replacement of the Freedom Street Bridge, not covered by state funding, or take any action in relation thereto. (Board of Road Commissioners)

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Ben's Way as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Patrick Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Taft Circle as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Ballou Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to accept a layout of a portion of Westcott Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of a portion of Hammond Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to accept a portion of the layout for Jones Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Gayle Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of a portion of Tammie Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Richard Road as an accepted public street as recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commissioners)

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to create a commission for the handicapped, not to exceed five members, appointed by the Moderator, or take any action in relation thereto. (By Petition)

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant with your doings thereon, and make return to the Clerk of the Town of Hopedale, at the time of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this first day day of June, 1987.

SELECTMEN
OF
HOPEDALE

Robert E. Barrows, Chairman

Annette Lawson

ATTEST: Eugene P. Costanza
Constable of Hopedale

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

JUNE 23, 1987

To the Voters of Hopedale:

The first five articles on this evenings warrant deal with Fiscal Year 1987, which ends on June 30, 1987. The sums being recommended are needed to reduce our interest deficit, increase our sewer budget for capital expenses and meet the towns obligation for rubbish removal.

Articles 6 through 11 are for Fiscal year 1988, which begins July 1, 1987.

Article 6: Deals with providing the Park Commission with monies received from forestry work for the clean up operation in our Parklands.

Article 7: This article is technical in nature. It will allow us to reduce our bond issue that was voted during the April Town Meeting. This is based on information available to us now that was not available in March of this year.

Article 8: Requests changes in your vote during our April Town Meeting by reducing our Maturing Debt and Interest account and by increasing the School and Highway Budgets.

Articles 9, 10 and 11: These articles are all related to the repair and reconstruction of Freedom Street, due to the closing of the Freedom Street bridge. These articles will allow the town to meet its obligations for a water main replacement, engineering services and reconstruction. State funds will be utilized for the actual bridge replacement. The Finance Committee is recommending favorable action on Articles 1 through 11.

Articles 12 through 21: These articles deal with the town accepting various new streets. We are recommending favorable action, subject to a favorable recommendation by the Board of Road Commissioners.

Article 22: Will establish a Commission for the Handicapped; we recommend favorable action.

FUNDS BEING REQUESTED

Article 1: To be determined by the Town Accountant

Article 2: $25,000 to Sewer Department, Capital Expenditures

Article 3: $4,094.26 to the Board of Health, Rubbish Collection

Article 4: $60.03 to the Board of Health, Rubbish Collection

Article 5: Motion to table; not required

Article 6: $11,358 to Park Department for Parklands

Article 7: $115,450 Bond Issue

Article 8: $76,000 to School Department

$25,000 to Highway Department

Decrease Maturing Debt & Interest Account by $37,700

Article 9: $60,000 to Water & Sewer Commissioners for replacement of Freedom Street water main

Article 10: $30,000 to Highway for Engineering Services, Freedom Street

Article 11: $70,000 to Highway for Reconstruction of Freedom Street

On behalf of the
Finance Committee

Donald A. Comastra,
Chairman

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
JUNE 23, 1987

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Bernard J. Stock at 7:30 P.M. and recessed pending the arrival of a quorum.

At 7:48 P.M. a quorum of 50 was reached and the meeting convened with the reading of the warrant and return by Town Clerk Robert S. Phillips.

ARTICLE 1: VOTED; to appropriate and authorize the Town Accountant to transfer any unexpended funds in various departmental accounts, in the amounts that may be required, to the Interest on Temporary Loans Account for FY'87 to reduce said deficit in that account.

ARTICLE 2: VOTED; to appropriate an increase in the Sewer Department budget as voted under Article 9 of the Annual Town Meeting of April 7, 1986 in the amount of $25,000.00; said appropriation to be funded from available receipts collected under Chapter 83, Section 16.

ARTICLE 3: VOTED; to appropriate an increase in the rubbish collection account under the Board of Health for FY'87 to be funded by transfer from the Revenue Sharing Account in the amount of $4,146.84.

ARTICLE 4: VOTED; to appropriate an increase in the rubbish collection account under the Board of Health for FY'87 to be funded by transfer from the Boncompagni Account in the amount of $59.75.

ARTICLE 5: VOTED; to table Article 5.

ARTICLE 6: VOTED; to appropriate and transfer from the Reserved for Appropriation Account the sum of $11,358.00 to be expended by the Board of Park Commissioners in FY'88 for the general maintenance and clean up of the Park Lands.

ARTICLE 7: VOTED; to rescind the action taken under Article 32 of the April 6, 1987 Annual Town Meeting for FY'88 in the amount of $151,000.00 for Capital Equipment and further VOTED that the town raise and appropriate the sum of $115,450.00 for the purchase of highway equipment consisting of a street sweeper, sander and two plows totaling $84,766.00; and for the purchase of School Department equipment consisting of a School Bus totaling $30,684.00 and to effect this appropriation by authorizing the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow through a five year bond issue in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7, Clause 9 or any other enabling authority.

ARTICLE 8: VOTED; to raise and appropriate to effect the following changes as Voted under Article 20 of the Annual Town Meeting held April 6, 1987 for FY'88:

The sum of $76,000 to be added to the School Department appropriation of $2,723,518 for a total School Department appropriation of $2,799,518.

The sum of $25,000 to be added to the Highway Department appropriation of $200,567 (for the re-surfacing of roads), for a total Highway appropriation of $225,567.

The sum of $37,700 to be subtracted from the Maturing Debt and Interest appropriation of $98,346 for a total Maturing Debt and Interest appropriation of $60,646

ARTICLE 9: VOTED; to raise and appropriate for FY'88 the sum of $60,000 to be expended by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners for the replacement of a 12" water main on Freedom Street.

ARTICLE 10: VOTED; to raise and appropriate for FY'88 the sum of $30,000 to be expended by the Board of Road Commissioners for engineering services associated with the replacement of the Freedom Street Bridge and associated work as may be required.

ARTICLE 11: VOTED; to raise and appropriate for FY'88 the sum of $70,000 to be expended by the Board of Road Commissioners to repair that section of Freedom Street and associated work involved in the replacement of the Freedom Street bridge not covered by state funding.

ARTICLE 12: VOTED; that the Town accept the deed to and layout of Ben's Way for a length of 1,560.44 feet as an accepted public way as laid out and recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners. Said street being shown on a plan entitled Neck Hill Estates in Hopedale, Mass. Scale 40 feet to inch, dated May 30, 1984 by Shea Engineering Co., Mendon, Massachusetts. Said plan being recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 526, Plan 42. Said layout and description of Ben's Way, including all easements as shown on said plan being incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

ARTICLE 13: VOTED; that the Town accept the deed to and layout of Patrick Road for a length of 1,232.71 feet as an accepted public way as laid out and recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners. Said street being shown on a plan entitled Pinecrest in Hopedale, Mass. Scale 40 feet to inch, dated May 23, 1984 by Guerriere and Halnon, Inc., 326 West Street, Milford, Mass. Said plan being recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 528, Plan 37. Said layout and description of Patrick Road, including all easements, as shown on said plan being incorporated herein by reference as fully set forth.

ARTICLE 14: VOTED; that the Town accept the deed to and layout of Taft Circle for a length of 961.40 feet as an accepted public way as laid out and recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners. Said street being shown on a plan entitled Pinecrest in Hopedale, Mass. Scale 40 feet to inch, dated May 23, 1984 by Guerriere and Halnon, Inc., 326 West Street, Milford, Massachusetts. Said plan being recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 528, Plan 37. Said layout and description of Taft Circle, including all easements, as shown on said plan being incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

ARTICLE 15: VOTED; that the Town accept the deed to and layout of Ballou Road for a length of 1,688.31 feet as an accepted public way as laid out and recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners. Said street being shown on a plan entitled Pinecrest in Hopedale, Mass. Scale 40 feet to inch, dated May 23, 1984 by Guerriere and Halnon, Inc., 326 West Street, Milford, Massachusetts. Said plan being recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 528, Plan 37. Said layout and description of Ballou Road, including all easements, as shown on said plan being incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

ARTICLE 16: VOTED; that the Town accept the deed to and layout of Westcott Road for a length of 3,056.21 feet as an accepted public way as laid out and recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners. Said street being shown on a plan entitled Pinecrest in Hopedale, Mass. Scale 40 feet to inch, dated May 23, 1984 by Guerriere and Halnon, Inc., 326 West Street, Milford, Massachusetts. Said plan being recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 528, Plan 37. Said layout and description of Westcott Road, including all easements as shown on said plan being incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

ARTICLE 17: VOTED; that the Town accept the deed to and layout of Hammond Road for a length of 515+ feet as an accepted public way as laid out and recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners. Said street being shown on a plan entitled Pinecrest in Hopedale, Mass. Scale 40 feet to inch, dated May 23, 1984 by Guerriere and Halnon, Inc., 326 West Street, Milford, Massachusetts. Said plan being recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 528, Plan 37. Said layout and description of Hammond Road, including all easements as shown on said plan being incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

ARTICLE 18: VOTED; that the Town accept the deed to and layout of Jones Road for a length of 2,009.71 feet as an accepted public way as laid out and recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners. Said street being shown on a plan entitled subdivision plan property of R & F Realty Trust in Hopedale, Mass. Scale 40 feet to inch, dated September 29, 1978 by Guerriere and Halnon, Inc. 326 West Street, Milford, Massachusetts. Said plan being recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 490, Plan 26. Said layout and description of Jones Road, including all easements as shown on said plan being incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

ARTICLE 19: VOTED; that the Town accept the deed to and layout of Gayle Road for a length of 453.77 feet as an accpeted public way as laid out and recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners. Said street being shown on a plan entitled subdivision plan property of R & F Realty Trust in Hopedale, Mass. Scale 40 feet to inch, dated September 29, 1978 by Guerriere and Halnon, Inc., 326 West Street, Milford, Mass. Said plan being recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 490, Plan 26. Said layout and description of Gayle Road including all easements as shown on said plan being incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

ARTICLE 20: VOTED; that the Town accept the deed to and layout of Tammie Road for a length of 2,113.62 feet as an accepted public way as laid out and recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners. Said street being shown on a plan entitled subdivision plan property of R & F Realty Trust in Hopedale, Mass. Scale 40 feet to inch, dated September 29, 1978 by Guerriere and Halnon, Inc., 326 West Street, Milford, Massachusetts. Said plan being recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 490, Plan 26. Said layout and description of Tammie Road including all easements as shown on said plan being incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

ARTICLE 21: VOTED; that the Town accept the deed to and layout of Richard Road for a length of 1,231.50 feet as an accepted public way as laid out and recommended by the Board of Road Commissioners. Said street being shown on a plan entitled Hillside Estates in Hopedale, Mass. Scale 40 feet to inch, dated November 2, 1984 by Guerriere and Halnon, Inc., 326 West Street, Milford, Massachusetts. Said plan being recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 531, Plan 69. Said layout and description of Richard Road, including all easements, as shown on said plan being incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

ARTICLE 22: VOTED; to create a Commission for the Handicapped consisting of five members to be appointed by the Moderator for one year. Commencing July 1, 1988 said appointments shall be made by the Board of Selectmen with two members being appointed for three years; two members for two years and one member for one year, with subsequent appointments being for a three year term.

On a motion by Chairman Robert E. Barrows, it was VOTED to dissolve the warrant at 8:39 P.M.

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

July 1987

WORCESTER, SS

To either of the constables in the Town of Hopedale, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid you are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale, qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the Hopedale Community House Building on Hope Street, on Monday, September 14, 1987 at eight o'clock in the forenoon to vote for the following Town Officers:

The Polls will be open from 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

One Selectmen	For 1 year (unexpired term)

This notice shall be posted in three public places in the Town of Hopedale, one of which shall be the Town Hall, as required by the Town By-Laws, and you shall make your return thereof to the Town Clerk.

WITNESS OUR HANDS AND THE SEAL OF THE TOWN OF HOPEDALE this fifteenth day of June, 1987.

Robert E. Barrows, Chairman

Annette Lawson, Member

SELECTMEN OF HOPEDALE

I certify that I posted attested copies of the above warrant in the Hopedale Town Hall, Community House and Hopedale Post Office as directed.

Constable of Hopedale

July 1987

"The Dale 1700: Hopedale 1841; A Town 1886"

Robert E. Barrows
Annette Lawson

John A. Hayes
Town Administrator

Board of Selectmen
Hopedale, Massachusetts 01747

REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1987

The Board of Selectmen held twenty-six regular meetings and seven special meetings during fiscal year 1987. The majority of our special meetings involved collective bargaining negotiations with the Fire-fighters union.

One major activity during this past year included several changes in personnel:

* Town Moderator Edwin Howard resigned after thrity-three years of service and Bernard J. Stock was appointed, and subsequently elected, to this position.

* Edward Allard was sworn in as our new Chief of Police replacing Raymond J. Gaffney, Jr.

* Donald A. Moore resigned as Fire Chief on a disability retirement and David M. Durgin was appointed as our new Fire Chief.

* This Board appointed a new board of Assessors, as authorized by Town Meeting vote, consisting of Eugene Phillips, Judith Brown and William Caufield, Jr.

* Disability retirements were granted to Lieutenant John Moran, Jr. and Police Officer Nicholas Lioce. Eugene Costanza was appointed to fill Lieutenant Morans position.

* Building Commissioner Perry K. MacNevin resigned his responsibilities as head of our Building Department but is still actively involved as Assistant Building Inspector. Edward Small has been appointed as Building Commissioner.

In all of these important and highly visible positions there are one hundred thirty nine years of combined service to Hopedale and we want to express our sincere appreciation to each and every individual for their contribution to our town, thank them for their services and extend our best wishes for every happiness in the future.

The Town of Hopedale is an Equal Opportunity Employer *Tel. 617-478-2140*

Other matters of interest that came before the Board this year were:

* Completion of our required three year audit.

* The creation of a Dog Leash Law after citizen input through referendum and Town Meeting vote.

* Joint meetings with the Board of Health relative to a permanent solution for disposal of rubbish through incineration.

* The reorganization of our Forestry Commission.

* The reorganization and strengthening of our Police Department.

* Coordinating and establishing a committee to preserve the "Red Shop".

* Finding a permanent solution to a serious parking problem in the area around the old Draper Complex.

* Conducted a public hearing on the installation of traffic lights for Mendon Street at Hopedale Street.

* Contractual negotiations with Local 2225 toward a firefighters contract.

* Authorized the replacement of protective firefighting gear for all of our firefighters, with Town Meeting approval.

* Participated in the burial of the towns time capsule on October 19, 1986 as the final chapter of the towns 100th birthday celebration.

* Recruited and appointed several new members to our Council on Arts so they can continue their excellent programs.

* Conducted street lighting surveys on our new streets and made provisions to add additional fixtures for public safety in these areas.

During this past year we have experienced more growth than at any other time in our towns history. Growth creates change as well as challenge. With the addition of new residents through the completion of Laurelwood and Mountainview Estates, along with several other smaller subdivisions, our town is changing. New problems create a need for leadership and alternative methods of operating and conducting the affairs of Town Government. Decisions made during this past year were implimented by your Board of Selectmen in an effort to begin this process by strengthening our department heads and introducing and improving professionalism within all areas that we are responsible for.

Due to a lack of sufficient federal funds, another chapter in our towns history came to a close on June 30th. Since 1971 Hopedale, along with less than twenty other towns in the Commonwealth, has taken the responsibility for sponsoring Manpower Training programs for all eligible area residents. These programs commenced with the Emergency Employment Act of 1971 under the leadership of now State Representative Richard T. Moore and the directorship of Spalding Aldrich and continued through this year, most recently under the Job Training Partnerhsip Act, known locally as the Career Development Center. For the past several years Selectman Robert Barrows has assumed the leadership role with the programs being directed by Susan G. LaMar.

It is impossible to calculate how many lives have been changed through training, counseling and job placement; however, we know the figure is far in excess of 1,000. As a Board we have been gratified to have had the opportunity to participate in this endeavor and are troubled to see this program come to an end due to a lack of federal priorities and funding.

Therefore, in the names of all the individuals that have received training and assistance we offer our sincere thanks and appreciation to the dedication of Susan G. LaMar, the Centers most competent and concerned staff and all of the employees over the years that through their actions substantially improved the quality of life for so many others less fortunate than themselves.

On June 1, 1987 Chairman Edward Scott resigned as a member of this Board in order to relocate to the Town of Grafton. Ed served as a member for three and one half years and we extend to him and Marilyn our best wishes in their new home and in the years ahead.

We wish to express our appreciation to all of our town employees, be they elected or appointed, full-time or part-time, for providing the services needed for all of our residents.

"The Dale 1700; Hopedale 1841; A Town 1886"

Robert S. Phillips
Town Clerk

Town Hall
Hopedale, Mass. 01747
Tel. 617-478-2140

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

YEAR	BIRTHS	MARRIAGES	DEATHS
1984	40	26	45
1985	64	25	76
1986	67	17	56

January 1, 1987 Town Census is;4,750.

Registered voters: Republicans 243: Democrats 672: Independents 1,687, for a total of 2,602.

Dog Licenses issued: 361.

Persons may register to vote any working day, except when registration is closed by law.

The Town Clerk's Office issues marriage licenses, certified copies of vital records, hunting and fishing licenses and registers voters. Services are available Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., at either the Town Clerk's Office or the Town Hall General Office, both located in the Town Hall. In case of special need, the Town Clerk will schedule a special appointment on Saturday or in the evening. Telephone 478-2140.

Town Clerk, Robert S. Phillips: Assistant Town Clerks, Sandra L. Lombardi and Mary L. Draper.

Respectfully submitted,

Atty. Robert S. Phillips
TOWN CLERK

BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE
HOPEDALE · MASS ·
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DONALD A. HAYES
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOPEDALE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

SCHOOL YEAR 1986-87

The members of the Hopedale School Committee hereby accept the report of the Superintendent of Schools as the Annual Report of the Hopedale School Committee for the 1986-87 school year.

HOPEDALE SCHOOL COMMITTEE - MARCH 1987 TO MARCH 1988

Mr. David Coffey - Chairman	term expires 1988
Mr. John Abbruzzese - Vice Chairman	term expires 1989
Mr. Robert Goss, Jr.	term expires 1990
Mrs. Mary Grady	term expires 1989
Mr. John McGrath, Jr.	term expires 1989

1987 GRADUATES

Lori Ann Batista
Tracy Lee Bethel
Giancarlo Bon Tempo
Carla Ann Bresciani
Anthony R. Cafaro
Michael Paul Callery
Constance Campbell
Burton A. Comfort
*Amy Cooper
Deborah J. Creamer
Michael John Curley
Steven Davis
Susan Ellen Drisko
Todd Eric Duhamel
Andrea Jean Evers
Jean Marie Ford
Caroline Elizabeth Franks
*Leonard Michael Garabedian, Jr.
*Anthony Michael Giuliano, Jr.
*Wendy Lynn Glatky
Lya Dante Guerra
Erin Leigh Hayes
Francyne Alice Head
Joanne Elizabeth Head
*Elena Barbara Hessney
Pamela Jean Hilditch
Lorraine Michelle Hill
Donna Marie Holmes
Scott Alan Johnson
Kimberly Ann Kiley
William John Krauss
Amy Elizabeth Lamothe
Matthew Joseph Lasorsa
*Wendy Jean Lioce
Christine Linnea Lundberg
Cecilia E. Malloy
*Dana Lynn Manczurowsky
David Alan Maranda
Laurie Anne McGill
*Kelly Ann McGovern
*Michael Edward McHugh
Jodi Alison Michna
*Jill Ann Mikolaycik
Michael R. Milanoski
*Sandra Jean Morrill
Michael Robert Morrissey
Robert Newhall
Wendy J. Noyes
Jill Evelyn Ober
*JoAnn Elizabeth O'Brien
Stephanie Orton
Debra Ann Palanzi
*Elizabeth Ann Papelian
Michelle D. Perry
*Julie Ann Peters
*Sherri Lee Phillips
Thomas Andrw Reed
*Lisa Marie Rojas
Beth Susan Schmitt
Teresa Lee Sheriden
*David Burton Sparks
Todd Sparling
Frederick T. Stoffel III
Greg Timothy Sutton
Steven John Sweet
Demian David Tebaldi
Karen Louis Villani
Thomas Joseph Volz
Nicole M. Walker
David Wayne Webster
Tracy Ann Williams
Susanna M. York

HOPEDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING
HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

SCHOOL YEAR 1986-87

The membership of the Hopedale School Committee was changed at the March elections when nine year veteran, Attorney Louis Noferi was defeated in his reelection bid by newcomer Robert Goss, Jr. At the Annual Reorganizational meeting David Coffey was elected Chairman and John Abbruzzese was elected Vice-Chairman for the coming year.

The pattern and frequency of School Committee meetings remained about the same during this year. The School Committee meets regularly on the first Tuesday of each month with special meetings scheduled as necessary. The continued growth of school-aged population in our community, the organizational, space and budgetary implications of that growth occupied space on almost every meeting's agenda during the year.

Both the Regional School Study Committee and the School Building Needs Study Committee's efforts reached fruition this year. On the nonbinding referendum at the general election, 78% of those voting had indicated their preference for retaining an independent K-12 school system, which was an even greater margin than the previous two times the question had been asked. While some concern was expressed by the Committee members over what might be interpreted as a "hedge" against that position wit respect to the question on taxation, the Regional School Study Committee nevertheless, concluded and reported to the Annual Town Meeting that there appeared to be no support for the continued pursuit of this alternative and discharged its responsibilities thereby.

The School Building Study Committee, working at the same time, looked at the growth in the school aged population, which, by midyear, had 815 students in the schools. This is a total of 200 students more than projections showed for 1986-87, or a growth of 33%. Of even greater concern was the fact that both local and State Department of Education projection figures indicated a continued growth expectancy to more than 1,000 students by the fall of 1990. Reviewing available space, the Committee concluded that the school system would be out of space by the close of the current school year, at a population of 820 students. The School Building Study Committee, therefore, concluded its work with the recommendation to the Town Meeting that a School Building Committee by authorized to begin immediately the process of planning for new school construction. That recommendation was approved by unanimous vote of the Town Meeting in April, and an initial appropriation of $20,000 was voted for the Building Committee to begin its work.

Meanwhile, the School Committee was wrestling on a day-to-day basis with the operational issues created by that growth. In attempting to resolve the overcrowding and space isues for the coming school year, several alternatives were explored in depth. It was finally decided late in the year to relocate the kindergarten classes to two classrooms in the Junior-Senior High School for the fall of 1987, and construct a classroom in the basement area at Park Street School. Acknowledging that these moves would work for only one year, the Committee members planned on investigating the possibility of portable classrooms until permanent space can be constructed.

In the schools, there were 71 members of the Class of 1987 graduated from Hopedale High School. Of that number, 74% were planning to continue their education upon graduation. The SAT scores for those students matriculating at four-year colleges were 497 for verbal and 507 for math. The leadership of the Class of 1987 was responsible for a return to outdoor graduations on the south portico of the Community Hose returning a tradition of many years standing to our school community.

Active parent support for school programs reached an all time high during this school year. In addition to continuing many programs previously started, P.A.C.E. initiated a math-a-thon, science fair, and an art and creative writing project which saw both an outstanding two day exhibition at Memorial School and yielded an anthology of the childrens' writing. Their volunteer program in the schools saw more than 40 parents donating in excess of 800 hours of volunteer service. At the high school level, a new parent volunteer organization called "Phase II" was initiated this year. It is hoped that this organization will also grow and prosper in the coming years.

As we look to the years ahead, it is clear that in the short-term, population growth and space issues will continue to dominate the attention of all of us in the school community. While excellent support for budgetary requests has been available in the last two years to allow us to keep pace with the program demands, there is a continuing concern about the impact of the programmatic and financial demands imposed by growth. Maintaining the excellence of programs and facilities that has been the hallmark of Hopedale's public school commitment over the years, while responding to the growth issues is the short range challenge that we face. It is a challenge that we pledge our best efforts to resolving with the interests of the school children as our primary focus.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald A. Hayes,
Superintendent of Schools

Report of the Regional School Study Committee

The Study Committee for Regionalization was formed at the 1985 Town Meeting. It was requested at the same time the Building Needs Committee was formed. The committee appointed were Mary Grady, Chairman, John Abbruzzese, and Attorney Joseph Antonellis. It should be pointed out that a complete study of regionalization aternatives are a required part of the process of developing an application for a school building assistance grant. While school buiding assistance cannot require that the town exercise the option of regionalization, it must demonstrate that it pursued in good faith , that option, prior to receiving approval for funding for new construction, in the face of a building boom.

One of the key issues on any discussion of regionalization centers on what towns will be merged in regionalization if it is voted. In that, there is a history to guide us. In 1974, at the state department prodding, regionalization between Hopedale, Mendon, and Upton went approximately two-thirds of the way, and went before each community's town meeting. At that time, Hopedale downed it by a vote of nearly 8-1. Where upon it was also defeated in both Mendon and Upton. Since that time, the question has been reasked in the form of referendum questions.

In 1983, the voters wanted to stay independent 2-1.

In 1984, the voters were asked:

1. to retain an independent system and support tax increases 555

2. I would not support a tax increase and would support regionalization 630

The latest results from the 1987 referendum questions were:

1. to keep independent k-12 - 1032

2. to regionalize - 299

3. blanks - 51

Question 2

1. Would support a tax increase - 698

2. Said no - 612

3. Blanks - 72

In 1985, the Hopedale School Committee did a study on regionalization because of a declining enrollment and the constraints of 2½, as part of their long-range planning process. At present, we are now looking at an increased enrollment and possible building for an additional space. Our committee, as a result of the 1987 referendum question, feels the town voters are not in favor of regionalizing at this time. The next step would would be to continue this committee. If the town wishes to do so, we would then be impowered to approach Mendon and Upton and continue the process.

The question of support still remains with you, the voters.

You have indicated to us, the Committee, that you wish to remain independent, K-12. On the same token, with ever-rising costs of maintaining our local autonomy and a dramatic decrease on the school department's tax funds. It behooves you to continue to look for alternatives measures in regionalzation or have a second look at the ballot which denied any increases in tax revenue to your present school system.

With this report, the Regionalization Study Committee completes its original charge. Its finding is that regionalization is a viable but unpopular alternative. If regionalization was going to be pursued actively, events not yet present would be required for majority support.

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING NEEDS STUDY COMMITTEE TOWN OF HOPEDALE

At our April 1986 Annual Town Meeting, the town voted to establish a committee to determine whether or not our recent population growth is stretching our public educational facilities.

This is the first step in the state mandated process which allows a city or town to participate in shared funding of new school construction or additions.

The charter of our committee is to prepare a recommendation to the town expressing our findings and opinions as to whether or not there is a requirement to pursue building needs further.

Having reviewed the existing facilities as well as the town's projected growth in student population, it is the opinion of our committee that our town must make additional space available by the year 1990 at the latest.

Our purpose is now three fold:

1) State that our town has a need for additional classroom space.

2) Sponsor an article on this warrant to allow the town to take the next step toward the State of Massachusetts mandated process. Article #39 asks that you approve the establishment of a School Building Committee.

3) Sponsor an article on this warrant which provides funds to properly evaluate our facility options. Article #40 asks for these funds.

Having done this let's discuss why we have come to our conclusion. The following schedule shows our ideal population, maximum population, and projected population. As you can see, we are well on our way to exceeding our capacity. It is also important to note that the distribution of students does not lend itself favorably to available facilities.

	Ideal	"Packed"	1990 Projection	Projected For September 1987
Kindergarten	72	100		
Memorial School	225	300		
Park St. School	80	108		
Total Elementary	377	508	648	495
High School	400	500	354	351
Grand Total	777	1,008	1,002	846

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

A. Sparling - Chairman
C. Peters - Vice Chairman
D. Hayes - Secretary
J. McGrath, Jr.
J. Newhall
J. Dutra
E. Fulton

OFFICE OF

BOARD OF HEALTH

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

During the fiscal year which began on July 1, 1986 and ended on June 30, 1987, the Board of Health held 18 meetings, one of them a special meeting.

The most critical situation which the Board was confronted with was the closing of the landfill site off South Main Street by the State DEQE because of violations and the subsequent cessation, just before the end of the fiscal year, of the municipal rubbish collection by the landfill owner and contract holder, Maurice J. Murphy, Farrar & Carty, Inc.

Through the efforts of the Board of Health and with the cooperation of Mr. Cassidy of C B Trucking of Medway, the municipal rubbish collection continued with only a minor interruption of service.

The Board signed a letter of intent with Signal Environmental Systems, Inc. of Millbury for use of that firm's rubbish disposal service for a 20-year period.

The Board agreed to allow perc testing from December 1st through May 1st. The Board voted to increase license fees for various licenses and permits issued by the Board. Businesses in town were inspected on a regular schedule during the year and orders were issued to several businesses and residents for the cleanup of their properties.

The Board received notification from several health agencies of numerous dog bites, cases of chicken pox, strep throat and

a case of salmonella. The annual rabies clinic was conducted by the Board with Dr. Richard Heller in charge.

The Board signed a contract with the Visiting Nurse Association to provide clinics during the year. The VNA conducts monthly blood pressure clinics for the elderly of the town.

Mary Draper, who had served the Board as secretary resigned from the position during the latter part of the fiscal year.

Charles Bishop, whose term on the Board expired in March of 1987 was re-elected to the Board at the annual Town Election held in March. At the reorganizational meeting, Mark Ansart was elected chairman. John Carter is a member of the Board.

The Board named:

Benjamin F. Phillips	Health Agent
Dr. A. W. Farrell	Health Officer
George Mongiat	Agent to sign Burial Permits
John Carter	Milk Inspector
Mark Ansart	Nursing Coordinator
Howard Miller	Animal Inspector

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Ansart

Mark Ansart
Chairman

Office Of

Board of Road Commissioners

Hopedale, Massachusetts 01747

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR '87

Fiscal year 1987 was considered a progressive and busy year by the Board. Some of the Board's accomplishments are as follows:

* With the cooperative effort of the Blackstone Valley Vocational School, we prepared and re-painted several truck undercarriages and fenders.
* Re-surfaced several streets and sidewalks with state and town funds.
* Established stringent requirements for new road construction, along with several on-site inspections.
* Continued our annual Spring painting of center lines and crosswalks, installed additional street signs and continued our sidewalk week control project.
* Made an alternate approach for the Bancroft Park/Overdale Parkway area through Fitzgerald Drive, due to the closing of the Freedom Street bridge. On April 7th, Schoenfeld Associates, Inc., (the engineers hired by the state for bridgework), reported to the Board that they did not feel the bridge was safe for traffic and recommended it be closed immediately. The Board is applying for state money to help defray the cost.

The Board recommended the following streets for acceptance at the Town Meeting:

Ballou Road	1,688.31 feet
Westcott Road	3,056.21 feet
Hammond Road	515 feet
Jones Road	2,009.71 feet
Gayle Road	435.77 feet
Tammie Road	2,113.62 feet

Patrick Road	1,232.71 feet
Richard Road	1,231.50 feet
Taft Circle	961.40 feet
Ben's Way	1,560.44 feet

All streets met the towns regulations and were accepted as public ways.

The winter kept our employees busy, as 82½ inches of snow fell. With the additional roadways we were forced to hire outside contractors.

The Board would like to remind all residents that maintaining the sidewalks and tree belts in front of their homes will allow our employees to work on improvements needed elsewhere.

The Commissioners would like to thank all departments and Town Administrator John Hayes for their assistance and cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Merwin Noyes, Chairman

John Farrar, Inspector

John Cutter, Clerk

Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners

Benjamin F. Phillips
Kenneth A. Mooradian
Paul A. Lawson

John A. Hayes
Administrator

Hopedale, Massachusetts 01747

Report for Fiscal Year 1987

During Fiscal Year 1987 this Board conducted eleven regular meetings and two special meetings.

The town had more construction taking place in several locations this year than at any other time in recent memory. During the past three years we have had an increase of 274 water customers and 385 sewer customers. When these additional accounts are viewed against our total number of customers, 1,714 water and 1,498 sewer, the percentage increase is substantial.

Since our last report several major capital items have been finalized, scheduled for implementation or completed:

* The final completion of our sewer extentions took place last Fall with the addition of Adin Street being connected to our system. This concluded a major project that started in 1981 including our new Waste Water Treatment Plant for a total construction cost of $9,997,076.98. The Federal and State government provided $8,046,300 and the towns share was $1,950,776.98. The Sewer Betterment Tax assessed annually is used to pay off our share and due to continual growth this assessment was reduced from $85.00 to $80.00 per year.

* The planning of a supplimental supply of water from our old Greene Street well fields has progressed with final plans currently out to bid. We are four months behind schedule on this project, primarily due to design and engineering problems with our site. This improvement to the water system will cost approximately $100,000.

* We completed the installation of a new electrical panel and associated conduits at our main well field on Mill Street. This replaced the original panel which was installed in 1947. Capital costs for this maintenance improvement was $22,000.

* Final plans for the erection of an additional water tank were confirmed with WGB Construction as part of the approvals needed by this Board for Phase II, Pinecrest. In order to provide service to the proposed lots off Moore Road, Barrows Circle and Crocket Circle, it became apparent to this Board and WGB Construction that due to height elevations of this site a new tank would be necessary.

Tel. Office: 617-478-2140 *Treatment Plant: 617-473-6251*

The lots effected are not due to be occupied until late 1988 and the tank will be in place approximately a year ahead of schedule. This addition will provide an increase in water pressure and storage supply for a fire emergency. The cost of the tank is $140,000 and will be paid for by W.G.B. Construction Company.

* We were able to purchase a new sewer rodder machine for the amount of $11,400 for our Sewer Department.

* We have completed and corrected a design deficiency on the roof of our Waste Water Treatment Plant. This resulted in raising and replacing the flashing on the entire roof area at a cost of $21,000.

* Due to the rehabilitation of the Freedom Street Bridge, it will be necessary to re-locate our 12" water main. Plans and bids have been executed and this work will commence in August of this year at a cost of $60,000.

In addition, the following action was taken by this Board:

* Reviewed plans for Highland Estates.

* Reviewed and approved plans for White Sands Estates.

* Reviewed and approved plans for Centennial Estates.

* Reviewed and approved plans for Crestview Estates.

* Reviewed and approved plans in conjunction with the Milford Board of Sewer Commissioners for Presidential Estates and commercial development by D & F Afonso on West Street in Milford.

* Reviewed and approved plans for single connection requests for a residence on Lake Street and two commercial buildings on West Street.

* Approved the second phase connection request for Eight Road Road in Mendon.

* Bookkeeping and billing staff was increased from a part-time basis to full-time.

* Provisions were made in the FY'88 budget to hire a Laborer/Trainee to be shared by our Water and Sewer Departments.

* Connection fees were increased to $1,000 for water and $500 for sewer

* Final inspections and tests were done on all new streets prior to acceptance by the Town Meeting.

* We reduced our sewer rate by 21%.

* Voted to prohibit any future connections for water outside of Hopedale.

* Voted to prohibit additional sewer connections outside of Hopedale unless they are part of agreements with the Milford Board of Sewer Commissioners .

* Authorized an engineering study to find temporary and permanent solutions for the sludge being generated by the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

* Began a preliminary review of the Federal Safe Water Drinking Act to assess its future impact on Hopedale.

The most significant concern of this Board is to have available an adequate supply and reserve of water at all times. Hopedale has limited water resources and our planning is predicated on domestic use. We do not have a supply that allows us the luxury of unlimited external use of water, such as watering of lawns. A municipal water supply has to provide quality drinking water and to use quality water on lawns once they are established becomes a waste of a very precious resource.

This problem is not unique to Hopedale, several towns experience similar supply problems during peak demand periods.

We have been most gratified by the response to our request for a limited water ban by the overwhelming majority of our customers. Working together we are optimistic that we will be able to continue to supply our water needs for domestic use and public safety in the years ahead.

Once again, our appreciation goes to all our employees in the Water and Sewer Departments and to those employees in the General Office that assist us, and you, on a daily basis.

The Bancroft Memorial Library
Hopedale, Massachusetts 01747

ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1987

STATISTICS:

DAYS OPEN: 285

HOURS OF OPERATION 30 hours a week September through June
22 hours a week July through August

REGISTRATIONS		Adults	Juvenile	Total
New Borrowers:	Hopedale	95	85	180
	Out of town	39	5	44
Patrons using reading and reference rooms		8105	6254	14359
ACQUISITIONS				
Total volumes July 1986		24191	4786	28977
Volumes added		986	389	1375
Volumes withdrawn		329	162	491
Total Volumes June 1987		24848	5013	29861
Total non-print material		418	50	468
Newspapers received		4	6	4
Periodicals received		63		69
CIRCULATION				
Fiction		12651	11973	24624
Non-fiction		6955	4772	11727
Non-book material		4686	2156	6842
Totals		23392	18901	42293

One of the highlights of the year was the Centennial presentation given by author John S. Garner (Model Company Town) on October 25th in the High School Auditorium. The program was funded in part by a grant from the Hopedale Arts Council. A gift of six original pen and ink drawings of historic town buildings was presented to the library by artist Mary Owanesian of Milford and were hung in the reference room. For eight weeks in April and May Mrs. Deiana and members of P.A.C.E. conducted a 4-H Babysitting Course for twenty 11 and 12 year old students. All passed and were registered with the Office for Children for referrals. At his retirement, Mr. Howard L. Smith was presented with a plaque by the Board of Trustees recognizing his many years of dedicated service as a member of the Board. In June Rick Bos offered an interesting slide presentation and talk on Anne Frank and concentration camps in Nazi Germany during WWII. Throughout May and June area Boy Scouts volunteered six hours of community service each to the upkeep of our historic scrapbooks. A generous gift from the senior class members of the Hope for Hope Committee enabled the library to purchase a four volume Encyclopedia of the American Constitution for reference use.

The childrens department presented the Summer Reading Program, "Read to the Outer Limits" to fourteen children in Grades 3 - 6 who read 283 books. "Bookworms", for grades 1 and 2 included 27 children who read 371 books and the pre-school program "Junior Star Gazers" included 20 children who read 216 books. Six story hours held in November and December had an attendance of 109 and eight in March and April had an attendance of 193 area children. The Vacation Movie Programs in December, February and April entertained 143 youngsters.

Group visits for library instruction, stories and films included: a Cub Scout Troup from Mendon in January; two groups from Luv 'n Care Nursery School in January, March and May. In April two first grade classes of fifty students visited; three second grade classes of seventy eight students in May and four kindergarten groups totaling seventy eight students attended in June.

Our appreciation is extended to the Friends of the Library for their volunteer work on our historical collection and for their gift of the free passes to the Children's Museum. Funds raised at the book sale enabled them to purchase a new glove, chair, shelving, puzzles and lounge chairs for the Children's Room.

The Hopedale Foundation again donated free passes to teh New England Aquarium and Boston Science Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue-Ellen Deiana.
Librarian

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HOPEDALE HOUSING AUTHORITY

P.O. BOX 582
HOPEDALE, MA 01747
617-473-8120

REPORT OF THE HOPEDALE HOUSING AUTHORITY
FOR THE YEAR 1986

The Annual meetingof the Authority was held on March 13, 1986. The following were elected or appointed to office:

Robert E. Pugh	Chairman	1987
Alice Phillips	Vice-Chairman	1990
Paul Bresciani	Treasurer	1991
Margaret Bishop	Asst.Treasurer	1988
Edward J. Malloy	Asst. Secretary	1989
Barbara M. Stevens	Ex. Director & Secretary	
David T. Pagnini	Legal Counsel	

The Griffin-Dennett apartments, known as Project 667-C, consists of 80 apartments and are managed according to regulations set forth by the Executive Office of Communities and Development.

The Authority meets on the second Thursday of each month and the annual meeting is held on the second Thursday in March. The Authority held twelve regular meetings and two Special meetings during the year 1986.

All roofs on buildings at Griffin apartments were resurfaced according to schedule with Modernization Funds received in October of 1984. At this time the Recreation Hall fire alarm system was re-wiered due to problems found during the roofing process.

New galvanized fencing was installed at the Griffin apartments replacing stockade fence which had been in place since the original construction of the project.

A new Master TV antenna was installed at Dennett apartments and work on apartment outlets is underway.

A request for Modernization Funds to replace the sewer ejector system for the Project was denied. The Authority is now investigating the possibility of utilizing the town sewer system by direct tie-in.

An additional Modernization Grant of $60,000 was received from the Executive Office of Communities and Development in September to repair and repave all asphalt areas at the Projects. Also, this Grant will be for painting all interior hallways and replacing porch railings. This work will be scheduled during 1987.

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A cook-out and coffee party were held for all tenants during the year which have become annual events given by the Authority.

The Authority regulations for Tenant Selection & Transfer were revised in December of 1986. The income limits have been increased and the minority factor must be strongly approached to meet regulations on Affirmative Action from the Executive Office of Communities and Development.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Pugh, Chairman
HOPEDALE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Dated: Feb. 27, 1987

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FINANCIAL OPERATING STATEMENT

OCTOBER 1, 1985 - SEPTEMBER 30, 1986

INCOME

Tenant's Rent	$ 124,476.00
Miscellaneous	7,143.93
	$ 131,619.93

EXPENDITURES

Salaries & Wages	$ 36,312.92
Utilities	58,937.37
Repairs & Supplies	2,641.58
Insurance	6,289.00
Contract Costs	5,446.90
Miscellaneous	11,414.94
	$ 121,042.71

SURPLUS

$ 10,577.22*

* The Budget deficit approved by the Executive Office of Communities and Development was $17,527.00 for the fiscal year. The Surplus balance will be applied to fiscal year 1986-87.

OFFICE OF

TREE WARDEN

P.O. BOX 7
HOPEDALE, MASS.

TREE WARDEN REPORT FOR FISCAL '87

This year much of the budget was used for trimming dead limbs removed off dead trees and tree stumps. Some of the streets where trimming was done were Adin, Northrop, Mendon, Mellen, Mill, Inman, Oak, Dennett, Dutcher, and Charlesgate Road.

Twelve new trees were planted in the fall and all were of 2-inch caliper. Their locations and types are as follows:

3 White Crabs (Malus Zumi) in front of the Griffin-Dennett Apartments

2 Red Crabs (Radiant) near the intersection of William and Freedom Streets

1 Red Oak between 27 and 29 Dutcher Street

2 Red Maples (Acer Rubrum) on Jones Road

1 Pine Oak on Lower Jones Road

1 Norway Maple (Jade Glen) next to 37 Northrop Street

1 Columnar Norway Maple in front of 210 Dutcher Street

1 Columnar Norway Maple next to 82 Hopedale Street

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Lutz
Tree Warden

PARK DEPARTMENT

P.O. BOX 7

HOPEDALE, MASS. 01747

June 30, 1987

The most significant issue faced by the Park Commission in 1987 was the controversy over forestry operations in the Parklands. Those operations came to a halt with the resignation of the forestry agent representing the Town in April. What remains is a considerable clean-up operation which must be well planned and closely monitored in order to prevent any re-occurance of the problems experienced in the past.

The Summer Program was again successful with over 200 children per day participating in water and park activity programs. Under the direction of Director, Jody Whyte and her fine staff, many new activities were offered this year. The girl's locker room was refurbished and reopened after several years, new decking was put on the rafts, and new picnic tables were installed. The new slide in the park was a big hit with the children. Band concerts were held on six evenings for everyone's enjoyment. The pond was also treated for the persistent problem of weed infestation.

Undoubtedly, the upcoming year will be a busy one for the Commission. We continue to encourage all residents to take advantage of the programs and activities conducted within the Park.

Respectfully submitted,

Willard W. Taft

Willard W. Taft
Chairman

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

BALANCE SHEET 6/30/87

ASSETS

CASH		
Cash		1,305,407.31
Imprest Fund		220.00
Water Department		67,375.96
Sewer Department		299,236.12
Waste Water Treatment Plant		75,518.00
Stabilization Fund		292,829.35
Pinecrest Water Tank Acct.		506.58
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		
Real Estate Tax		
Levy Year 1987	547,070.97	
Levy Year 1986	23,427.96	
Levy Year 1985	25,038.48	
Levy Year 1984	14,655.00	
Levy Year 1983	212.88	
Levy Year 1982	10,655.12	
Levy Year 1981	8,762.29	
Levy Year 1980	5,218.13	
Levy Year 1979	3,939.92	
Levy Year 1978	462.16	
Levy Year 1977	754.55	
Levy Year 1976	890.74	
Levy Year 1975	1,656.77	
Levy Year 1973	11.68	
Levy Year 1972	10.37	
Levy Year 1971	355.94	
Levy Year 1970	129.44	
Levy Year 1969	285.18	
Levy Year 1968	1,191.28	
Levy Year 1966	280.17	
Levy Year 1961	167.79	645,176.82
Personal Property Tax		
Levy Year 1987	1,185.71	
Levy Year 1986	204.92	
Levy Year 1985	140.74	
Levy Year 1983	168.37	
Levy Year 1981	197.21	
Levy Year 1980	404.49	
Levy Year 1979	263.75	
Levy Year 1978	216.91	
Levy Year 1976	6.29	2,788.39

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax		
Levy of 1987	33,205.86	
Levy of 1986	6,880.71	
Levy of 1985	3,377.64	
Levy of 1984	3,204.20	
Levy of 1983	3,143.81	
Levy of 1982	1,977.49	
Levy of 1981	1,192.57	
Levy of 1980	3,192.47	
Levy of 1979	2,315.35	
Levy of 1978	2,042.03	
Levy of 1977	2,058.44	
Levy of 1976	1,418.10	
Levy of 1975	1,416.31	
Levy of 1974	3,247.58	
Levy of 1973	6,792.31	
Levy of 1972	4,344.53	
Levy of 1971	3,526.58	
Levy of 1970	2,238.85	
Levy of 1969	911.42	
Levy of 1968	547.59	
Levy of 1967	620.29	
Levy of 1966	365.18	
Levy of 1965	1,330.22	89,349.53
Tax Titles	184.91	184.91
DEPARTMENTAL		
Town Hall	7,501.87	
Veterans Department	11,017,60	18,519.47
AID TO CHAPTER 480		
Highway	34,382.00	34,382.00
SEWER DEPARTMENT		
Rates	38,138.84	38,138.84
WATER DEPARTMENT Rates	33,525.14	33,525.14
UNPROVIDED FOR OR REVOLVING ACCOUNTS		
County Tax 1987	.19	
Air Pollution Control 1987	.19	
Registry of M.V.E. Charges 1987	80.00	
Highway Dept. Prepaid Vacations FY88	426.52	
Special Duty Police Revolving Acct.	2,542.91	3,049.81
FEDERAL FUNDS		
School Dept. Chapter II Block Grant	106.36	106.36

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EMPLOYEE PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS		
Federal Withholding Taxes	3,762.37	
Mass. Withholding Taxes	1,257.64	
Medicare Taxes	34.38	5,054.39
REVENUE AND AVAILABLE FUNDS 1988		
Revenue (less appropriations for available funds)	4,800,601.00	
Sewer Revenue (Ch.44 Sec.53E)	127,745.00	
Sewer Revenue (Ch.83 Sec.16)	210,900.00	
Water Revenue (Ch.41 Sec.69B)	227,150.00	5,366,396.00
		8,277,764.98

LIABILITIES

Cash		
Waste Water Treatment Plant	75,518.00	75,518.00
REVENUE RESERVED UNTIL COLLECTED		
Departmental Revenue	18,519.47	
Motor Vehicle Revenue	89,349.53	
Water Revenue	30,298.63	
Sewer Revenue	33,478.90	
Tax Title Revenue	184.91	171,831.44
REVENUE RESERVED FOR PETTY CASH		
Imprest Fund	220.00	220.00
REVENUE COLLECTED-INTEREST CHARGES		
Sewer Services	2,935.45	
Sewer Betterment Charges	1,724.49	
Water Services	3,226.51	7,886.45
RESERVE FOR APPROPRIATION	11,358.00	11,358.00
TRUST FUND INCOME		
Town Cemetery Trust	68.55	
Park Cemetery Trust	3,179.65	
Library Trust Fund	15,575.16	18,823.36
EMPLOYEE DEDUCTIONS (PAYROLL)		
County Retirement	71.25	
Group Ins. Employee Deductions	17,097.15	
Group Ins. Retired-Direct Bill	2,498.31	19,666.71
REVOLVING ACCOUNTS -REVENUE BALANCES		
Council on Aging-	246.55	
Planning Board	13,368.00	
Civil Defense	553.92	
Aid To Public Libraries (CSI)	7.54	
Park Dept. Foundation Grant	117.29	
Conservation Commission	1,305.67	
Hopedale Birthday Committee-Donations	2,153.08	
Hopedale Arts Council	2,470.83	
Stabilization Fund	292,829.35	
Tax Anticipation Notes	1,500,000.00	
School Lunch Receipts	18,674.37	
School Music Receipts	6,109.96	
School Athletic Receipts	6,042.14	
School Tuition Receipts	27,076.30	
Insurance Reimbursements	220.50	
State Census Reimbursements	487.34	
Pinecrest Water Tank Acct.	506.58	
Highway-Chapter 480 Funds	11,460.00	
Highway-Chapter 811 Acts of 1985	19,785.55	
Right to Know Law	542.00	

School-Title 1	692.80	
School Title 11	9.50	
School-Project "See" Title 1V	281.67	
School-Business Grants	3,432.45	
School-Chapter 622 Chicken Litigation	30.00	
School N.J. Writing Project	187.50	
School-Excess Reentry	750.00	
School-Improvement Grant	2,661.14	
School-Horace Mann Grant	660.00	
School-Early Childhood Allocation program	1,130.20	1,913,792.23
OVERLAY RESERVED FOR ABATEMENTS		
1987 Overlay	71,540.28	
1986 Overlay	23,427.96	
1985 Overlay	25,038.48	
1984 Overlay	14,655.00	
1983 Overlay	212.88	
1982 Overlay	6,925.36	
1977 Overlay	754.55	
1976 Overlay	890.74	
1975 Overlay	1,656.77	
1973 Overlay	11.68	
1972 Overlay	10.37	
1971 Overlay	355.94	
1970 Overlay	129.44	
1969 Overlay	285.18	
1968 Overlay	1,191.28	
1961 Overlay	167.79	
Overlay Surplus	39,002.49	186,256.19
SURPLUS REVENUE		
Surplus Sewer Revenue	291,807.13	
Surplus Water Revenue	67,375.96	
Surplus Revenue	146,833.51	506,016.60
APPROPRIATION CONTROL	5,366,396.00	5,366,396.00
		8,277,764.98

TREASURERS REPORT OF OUTSTANDING DEBT

AS OF JUNE 30, 1987

	Years Remaining	Original Amount	Outstanding 6/30/86	Principal Paid	Due 6/30/87 Principal	Due 6/30/87 Interest
Municipal Building Heat Loan	10	$300,000.00	$156,000.00	$16,000.00	$16,000.00	$ 9,400.00
School Bus Bond	5	59,090.00	59,090.00	0	11,818.00	709.00
Short Term Borrowing						50,399.00
TOTALS		$359,090.00	$215,090.00	$16,000.00	$27,818.00	$60,508.00
Sewer Department						
Sewer Bond 92-03	36	$1,000,000.00	$875,000.00	$50,000.00	$50,000.00	$46,250.00
Sewer Bond 92-05	36	824,900.00	742,400.00	20,625.00	20,625.00	38,151.25
TOTALS		$1,824,900.00	$1,617,400.00	$70,625.00	$70,625.00	$84,401.25

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

STABILIZATION FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 1987

Balance 7/1/86	$ 89,563.16
Additions	197,000.00
Interest Income	6,266.19
Balance 6/30/87	$292,829.35

SUMMARY OF TRUST FUNDS
FOR YEAR ENDING 6/30/87

	Principal 6/30/86	Income	Disbursement	Principal 6/30/87
Library	69,170.43	3,955.93		73,126.36
Town Cemetery	455.97	37.42		493.39
Park Department	2,434.11	165.63		2,599.74
Daisy Dutcher	11,567.52	896.83		12,464.35
	$83,628.03	5,055.81		88,683.84

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747

REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL

At present, there are no lawsuits pending against the Town in Superior Court. One ancient suit is pending in the Milford District Court. A lawsuit arising from the arrest of a Westboro man soliciting signatures at the April 2, 1984 Town Meeting after he refused a request by police officers to move to a different location, is pending in the United States District Court in Boston. Damages are claimed in excess of $500,000.00. Since I, along with the Police Officers and the Town, am a defendant in the case the Board of Selectmen have engaged the law firm of Murphy, Hessee, Toomey and Lehane of Braintree to defend the town, it's police officers and officials. Attorney Lehane was selected as he has considerable experience with this type of lawsuit in the Federal Courts.

As in the past, I have responded to inquiries from various Boards for legal assistance, reviewed and drafted warrant articles and various legal documents for Town Boards, as requested by the Selectmen.

I wish to call to the attention of the townspeople that I cannot respond to private inquiries for opinions on municipal matters. All requests for Town Counsel services must be sent to the Board of Selectmen, who are in charge of all legal matters by Town Meeting vote, and if they approve the request it will be forwarded to me. The requests are restricted, by law, to municipal business, elected officials and town boards.

I wish to thank all town officers and employees for their generous cooperation, in particular the staff of the General Office and Mr. John Hayes, the Town Administrator.

Respectfully submitted,

Attorney Robert S. Phillips
Town Counsel

HOPEDALE FIRE DEPT.

HOPEDALE, MASS. 01747
David M. Durgin, Chief

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Hopedale; I herewith submit the report of the Hopedale Fire Department for July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987:

Chief Donald A. Moore retired due to medical reasons in March after serving this department since the 1950's as a Call Firefighter, Permanent Firefighter and Fire Chief since 1981. David M. Durgin was appointed Fire Chief May 4, 1987 to replace Chief Moore.

A new pumper truck truck approved by the 1986 Town Meeting will be placed in service in August. This truck will replace a 1947 American LaFrance Pumper. The last several years have seen rapid growth throughout the town both within and outside the hydrant district. This new growth has severely taxed the Fire Department's ability to provide basic services for the town. The problems that will have to be addressed are; adequate manpower responses to fires and emergencies, coverage of Public Safety telephone and radio system during responses to fire and rescue calls, placing of the Fire Chief to straight day shift to perform administrative and inspectional duties, provide water by tank truck for dwellings outside of the hydrant district, maintenance of apparatus, fire alarm system, and Public Safety Building, replacement of obsolete fire and rescue apparatus and equipment.

The personnel of the Fire Department for this period was comprised of the following:

1- Full time Fire Chief
1- Deputy Fire Chief
3- Full time Firefighters
21- Call Firefighters

ALARM AND INSPECTIONAL RESPONSES

Structure Fires- 32
Motor Vehicle Fires- 5
Motor Vehicle Accidents with Injury- 39
Motor Vehicle Accidents with entrapment- 4
Medical Assistance, Other- 129
Mutual Aid given- 16
Mutual Aid received- 5

Apparatus Response to Investigations- 37
False Fire Alarms- 25
Lock Outs/In- 10
Assist to Town Departments- 29
Brush/Grass Fires- 1
Outside Fires- 16
Gas Spills- 10
Hazardous Materials Incidents- 0
Inspections/Investigations by Chief- 379
Permits Issued- 411
Violations Issued- 17
Fire Alarm Service Calls- 10

TOTAL RESPONSES AND SERVICES= 1,172

Estimated dollar loss by fire= $30,000.+
Fire related deaths= 0
Fire related injuries to civilians= 3

APPARATUS

Engine 1: International 750 G.P.M. Pumper; purchased 1961, Fair Condition
Engine 2: Maxim 1,000 G.P.M. Pumper; purchased 1968, Good Condition
Engine 3: REO 1,500 gallon tank truck, Army Surplus 1959, should be replaced
Engine 4: American LaFrance 750 Pumper; purchased 1947, replace 8/87
Ladder 1: Maxim 85 foot aerial ladder; purchased 1973, Good condition
Rescue 1: GMC 25 Seirra Pickup 2WD with utility body; purchased 1979, should be replaced

As your new Fire Chief, I look forward to meeting the challanges of rapid growth and service demands needed by the community for safe and adequate fire, inspectional, dispatching and Emergency Medical Services. I would like to thank the members of the Fire Deaprtment and other town departments for their cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted;

David M. Durgin
Fire Chief

POLICE DEPARTMENT
40 DUTCHER STREET, P.O. BOX 101
HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747
TELEPHONE 617-473-8444

CHIEF OF POLICE
EDWARD P. ALLARD

ANNUAL REPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department has undergone major development changes within the last year. With the dedicated assistance of the departmental staff, the Department has been able to: institute an indepth reporting system, upgrade its record system, develop a Manual of Rules, Regulations, Policies and Procedures, institute a personnel system, develop training programs and start a school resource program.

The Department has been able to acquire several pieces of needed equipment; some thru Town appropriation and some thru private contributions. All equipment received is greatly appreciated and will definitely assist in our development into a top, professional organization.

The calls for service seem to increase monthly. It is obvious the major development of the "Blackstone Valley" area has placed large numbers of commuters on our roads. As our "main arteries" become overly congested, the "side roads"/"short cuts" become widely used creating some serious motor vehicle violations. The complaints from residents against motor vehicle violators has outnumbered all other complaints received by a minimum of 20 to 1. The Department has responded and will continue to do so by attempting to educate the violators and then instituting a stringent enforcement policy. We ask the residents to assist us by complying with the law and by reporting violators to the Department. The Department has developed a Selective Enforement Report/Procedure for that purpose; and, residents are encouraged to use it. Safety has to be everyone's concern. We can not do it alone.

The Department still faces some major problems in the communications area, the lack of proper office space and the lack of a detention facility that must be addressed in the near future to offset some potentially high financial costs of placing prisoners at other facilities.

I want to thank the residents, the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee and all other Town Boards and Departmental Heads for their assistance and kindness given to the Department during my first year as Chief. A special thanks has to be given to the Town Administrator, John Hayes, as well as to the departmental staff. Without their help, we certainly could not have accomplished one third of what was done.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. P. Allard

Edward P. Allard
Chief of Police

TRAFFIC ACTIVITY

Total Number of Accidents	154
Total Number of Accidents: No Injury	83
Total Number of Accidents: With Injury	37
Total Number of Persons Injured	51
Total Number of Accidents: With Fatalities	0
Hazardous Motor Vehicle Arrests (not O.U.I.)	109
Operating Under the Influence Arrests	45
Total Number of Motor Vehicle Citations	1684
Total Number of Civil Citations	853
Total Number of Complaint Citations	27
Total Number of Warning Citations	1834
Total Number of Parking Citations	732
Total Number of Abandoned Vehicles	10
Total Number of Towed Vehicles	100
Total Number of Stolen Motor Vehicles	10

CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

Total Number of Investigations	836
Total Number of Arrests Felon/Adults	8
Total Number of Arrests Felon/Juveniles	1
Total Number of Arrests Misdemeanors/Adults	150
Total Number of Arrests Misdemeanors/Juveniles	38
Total Number of Female Arrests	10
Total Number of Male Arrests	140
Total Number of Arrest Warrants Served	65
Total Number of Property Checks	842
Total Number of Field Interviews/Adults	616
Total Number of Field Interviews/Juveniles	85
Total Number of Recovered Vehicles	10
Total Number of Recovered Bicycles	7
Total Number of Stolen Bicycles	17
Total Number of Summons/209 A Served	62
Total Number of Drug Related Arrests/Adults	15
Total Number of Females for Drug Related Arrests	2
Total Number of Males for Drug Related Arrests	13
Total Number of Drug Related Arrests/Juveniles	2
Total Number of Those Held for Protective Custody	27

Total Number of Patroling Hours Spent	3152
Total Number of Selective Enforcement Hours Spent	340

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747

HOPEDALE COUNCIL ON AGING

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 'FY 87

During the past year the Elders of the Town of Hopedale have been busier than ever before.

Last year at this time the "Golden Walking Club" had 28 members and now they have close to 60 members. The Walking Club is sporting new, golden T-Shirts due to the generosity of an anonymous sponsor. One and two mile walks are offered each Monday and Thursday.

The Arts & Crafts Group meets each Monday morning and has made over 1200 holiday favors for the patients at Milford Hospital. Favors were also made for persons celebrating a birthday during each month of the year.

Over 20 people enjoy playing bingo each Monday afternoon at the center and some bring baked items they have made to go with the refreshments being served.

Bridge lessons started in June of this year on Tuesday mornings with Mary Ann Snow as the apt instructor.

On Tuesday afternoons the chorus practices for the many concerts they put on throughout the year. Three concerts were held at the Community House this year; the first being called "Vacationland", the second for Christmas and the third was for St. Patrick's Day. Various nursing homes were visited by the chorus. The group also gave two concerts for the VFW in Medway for senior citizens from various towns within the state. The chorus is under the directorship of Lucille Damon.

Each Wednesday afternoon Cribbage and Pitch are the favorite card games of the day.

On Thursday morning the Bridge players get together and on Thursday afternoon line dancing is a big hit with more than 25 people in attendance.

Fridays are card playing days. The last Friday of the month is for birthday parties. With the inception of the birthday party each month, more people are coming out all the time as games are played, prizes won, and refreshments served. Louise Gartland usually makes our beautiful birthday cakes with others also bringing goodies of their own.

A large number of Elders attended a legislative Roundtable in Medway with the main speakers being Governor Michael Dukakis and Secretary Richard Rowlands. Many residents also attended a Senior Citizen Conference at Patrick's in Uxbridge with Representative Richard Moore as the key speaker.

Dr. Michael Biancamano of Whitinsville took care of the foot needs of the Seniors every other month. So popular was this service that we now have a podiatrist every month, Dr. Peter Balian of Milford.

Surplus cheese, butter, rice, flour and powered milk was distributed to eligible families of the community four times during the year.

A hearing aid screening was performed by Melvin Winiker along with battery testing and hearing aid cleaning and repair.

Blood drives were held at the Community House and at Massachusetts Electric Company where Seniors also donated their time and services.

Some Seniors were able to go to the Governor's Cup in September which was held in Boston and is an annual event for Senior walkers to compete in one, two and five mile walks.

Home-bound Elders were delivered 3520 meals during the past year by at least 14 very devoted drivers, regardless of the weather conditions.

The Senior Center at the Community House hosted two consortium meetings during the past year. The first meeting was in July and Susan LaMar of Trip, Inc., spoke on transportation for the needy in the surrounding communities. The second meeting was hosted in May with Dr. Moore of the Speaker's Bureau of Milford Hospital lecturing on preventative health care. Approximately 50 people attended each meeting.

In September a reception was held at the center for parents of pre-school children and another reception was held for Hopedale's new Chief of Police, Edward Allard.

A grant was received from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs enabling the center to acquire a new copying machine. The grant also enabled us to pay a bus driver to take the seniors grocery shopping.

Fuel Assistance was introduced at the Center to provide eligible residents of the Town with fuel.

One hundred people attended the Christmas Party put on for the Seniors in December with DiNardo's of Milford catering the excellent meal. The Chorus performed and Santa arrived on the scene bearing gifts donated by Milford Federal Savings and the Milford Savings Bank.

The Elders of the Town went of many very exciting day and overnight trips. Overnight excursions included Mountainview House in New Hampshire, Trinkaus in New York, and Brown's in the Catskill Mountains.

Days trips included the Old Mill in Westminster, Turkey Farm and shopping mall in New Hampshire, Gloucester and Rockport, the Hammond Museum and Lantana's in Randolph to see a very exciting Irish Show.

Three luncheons were put on by the Seniors this past year. One luncheon featured a country, western theme and the latest was an Italian festival with Armand and Rose Marie Boucher making the spaghetti and sauce along with a beautiful tossed salad. Tables were set with red and white checkered table cloths and John Boomer played Italian music on his accordion.

With the newsletter, the Hopeful Informer, being printed each month the Elders of Hopedale have been kept abreast of activities and trips that the Council on Aging is offering. This newsletter also keeps them aware of the latest information regarding Medicare and Medicaid, health news, recipes, poems, jokes and sayings which add merriment to their lives. Through this newsletter seniors that are home-bound are afforded the same information as their more fortunate peers.

The Hopedale Seniors are looking forward to another busy year with many more innovative things to do and places to see.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara L. Thompson,
Director

OFFICE OF

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

HOPEDALE, MASS. 01747

August 21, 1987

Board of Selectmen
Town of Hopedale
Town Hall
Hopedale, MA 01747

From: Eldon S. Biggs, Chairman
Zoning Board of Appeals

Subject: Zoning Board of Appeals Hearings Report

For the fiscal year from June 30, 1986 through June 30, 1987 the Zoning Board of Appeals scheduled and held public hearings on fifteen (15) cases.

Seven (7) cases were granted.

Four (4) cases were denied.

One (1) case was cancelled as the petitioner did not attend a hearing.

Three (3) cases were withdrawn at the request of the petitioner.

Charles H. Espanet, Secretary

Town of Hopedale
Town Hall - Hopedale, Massachusetts 01747

Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Hopedale, Massachusetts 01747

Dear Board:

Submitted herewith is the required report from the Hopedale Arts Council:

Approved Grant Applications:	Hopedale Jr.-Sr. High School Activity Council	-	$ 400.00
	Hopedale Arts Council (Day in the Park)	-	$ 432.00
	SPECTRUM, Experiences for Growth, Inc.	-	$ 390.00
			1,222.00

"Day in the Park": Income:	Concessions	-	$ 704.00
	Arts & Crafts	-	$2,660.00
	Arts Lottery		$ 220.00
	Miscellaneous	-	$ 50.00
			$3,634.00
Expenses:	Concessions	-	$ 434.63
	Arts & Crafts	-	$1,605.00
	Entertainment	-	$ 795.00
			$2,834.63
Subtract Arts Lottery		-	$ 220.00
			$2,614.00

Total Income: $3,634.00
Total Expenses: $2,614.00
$1,020.00 profit for 1986 "Day in the Park"

Sincerely yours,

Joanne S. Andreotti

JOANNE S. ANDREOTTI, Chairwoman
Hopedale Arts Council

As we closed out FY87 we regretfully accepted the resignation of Mrs. Judith Brown. Outside professional opportunities forced her resignation although she continues to aid the board, her time, dedication and personality will be missed.

As we look forward Fiscal Year 1988 is a re-valuation year for the town. The initial computer system has been discarded as unworkable and another system purchased. The new system should be operational by early September. While tax bills are anticipated to be slightly late, the delay should be minor and have little effect on the towns financial resources. The revaluation should be completed by early Spring with second payment notices being delivered on time.

In closing, as chairman, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to the other two members of the board during the past year. Mrs.Judith Brown and Mr. William Caufield gave the Town of Hopedale more commitment and dedication than I have ever witnessed before. The countless nights until 1:00AM and 30 plus hour weekends given by these individuals of their own free will, got the job done. Finally, Ms. Felicia Gaal whose ten years in the office has helped to maintain the stability necessary for this office to be effective.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene N. Phillips

EUGENE N. PHILLIPS/Chairman
TOWN OF HOPEDALE
BOARD OF ASSESSORS

JUNE 31, 1987

TOWN OF HOPEDALE - EXEMPT PROPERTY

CEMETERIES		20,540.00
GOLF COURSE	LAND	311,300.00
	BLDG.	65,300.00
HIGHWAY DEPT.	LAND	23,200.00
	BLDG.	132,800.00
PARKS & PLAYGROUND		529,700.00
SCHOOLS		3,679,800.00
WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT		10,120,300.00
MISC. LAND OWNED BY THE TOWN		240,600.00
WATER DEPT.		176,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS		
TOWN HALL		416,500.00
LIBRARY		331,800.00
FIRE STATION		309,600.00
RED SHOP		20,100.00
GREENE ST./ near #15		8,400.00
TOWN OF MILFORD/SEWER PLANT		3,269,000.00
MUNICIPAL HEATING		4,280.00
	TOTAL	19,659,220.00

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF WIRES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1987

Total number of permits issued	154
Total number of inspections	463
Total number of miles to do inspections	3,241
Total collected from permits	$3,589.50
Salary received by Inspector	$1,400.00
Mileage reimbursement received	$ 604.52
Net Revenues to the Town	$1,584.98

Respectfully submitted,

Albert Shimkus
Inspector of Wires

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Robert E. Barrows
Annette Lawson

John A. Hayes
Town Administrator

Board of Selectmen
Hopedale, Massachusetts 01747

BIRTHDAY COMMITTEE APPRECIATION STATEMENT

On June 30, 1987, we saw one of our committees officially dissolve. The committee I speak of is the 100th Birthday Committee.

This committee worked very hard to give to Hopedale and her residents some memorable moments. I believe we, as a Town, would be neglectful if we did not show our appreciation to these very dedicated volunteers. We were fortunate to have had citizens come forward, as these people did, and present to us a program that will not only last in our minds today but for all the tomorrows that will follow.

The Committee members are as follows:

Marilyn Barrows, Chairperson	Virginia Winslow
Jane Hilliard	Don McGrath
Maureen Bolger	Fred Oldfield
Edith Fulton	Chris Heglund

There were other sub-committees that came forward to take charge of special events, such as the Centennial Parade Committe, which was an overwhelming success.

To all those who in some way worked with the 100th Birthday Committee to help them give the Town a year full of fond memories, thank you and may God bless all of you.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Barrows, Selectman
Liaison to the Birthday Committee

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REMARKS BY CHAIRMAN BARROWS AT THE
HOPEDALE 100th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION
"BURYING OF THE TIME CAPSULE"

OCTOBER 19, 1986

Today, October 19, 1986, marks the closing of our 100th Birthday Celebration and the commencement of the second 100 years for our small, but unique, community, Hopedale.

I am going to take a moment to thank the 100th Birthday Committee for the outstanding effort in coordinating and planning activites beginning with the "Toast to the Town" last April 6th; thank you Marilyn, Jane, Maureen, Don, Chris, Fred, Virginia and Edith. Be proud, you have completed a very large task, one that has united our town into a spirit fitting for every occasion. We shall all cherish the events of this year and refer back to them as fond memories in years to come.

The other day I could not help but wonder if 100 years ago Mr. Louis B. Gaskill, Mr. J.D. Bancroft and Mr. Alonzo A. Cook, the first elected Board of Selectmen, gave much thought to the Town of Hopedale in 1986, if they could have possibly dreamed that Hopedale would not only still be in existance, but that Hopedale would remain a small, attractive and clean community. That Hopedale would have evolved from a farm community to an industrial community, home of the world's largest manufacturer of textile weaving machinery, Draper Corporation, and then to the residential community she is today.

Hopedale is not an old town, in fact, Hopedale is one of the three youngest towns of the 351 cities and towns within the Commonwealth.

Hopedale is not a large town in area, 5.34 square miles. It's population growth in the past five years has expanded to approximately 4,500 and is projected to possibly double in the next ten years. Hopedale has a commitment to assure it's citizens that we will never allow the growth to be so excessive that it will detract from it's uniqueness as a small New England town.

Hopedale is a clean town and it's citizens take pride in the maintenance of their personal properties from landscaping to home repair.

Hopedale has always taken pride in her appearance, our churches, schools, public buildings and private homes have always stood tall for anyone to inspect. Our school system, police, fire, public utility departments, library, parks and recreational programs and facilities and highway and street maintenance are all second to none and we hold the highest esteem for the department heads and those employees who work these departments.

Yes Chairman Gaskill, Mr. Bancroft, Mr. Cook, the Drapers, Adin Ballou, and all of those who have walked these paths before us. Hopedale is a nice place to visit and Hopedale is a nice place to live. I am sure you are proud of us today and also thankful that we have kept this town better than you could have imagined.

Like those people of 100 years ago, it is difficult, if not impossible, to dream of Hopedale 50 years hence. I will be 100 years old myself and no doubt departed from this earth. I suppose my wife will still be 29 and, I hope, Chairperson of the 150th Birthday Committee.

Our newest generations will be in charge; generations we have yet to meet will be running the Town Hall. The future of Hopedale is with this new generation and we, in the next decade and in decades to come, must teach them and instill within them the pride of our town, our state and our nation. We must tell these young men and woman how Hopedale has stood for honesty, her belief in God, her unique qualities which she was born for 100 years and still possesses.

Than those of us who will not be here to witness 2036 and the celebrations can rest assured that Hopedale 2036 if the same basic Hopedale as 1986 and 1886.

God bless you all.

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747

HOPEDALE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1987

The Commission held regular meetings on the fourth Monday of each month throughout the year.

We welcomed a new member, Paul Lawson, of West Street, Hopedale.

The Commission is now in the process of taking pictures and compiling data of older buildings to be sent to the Massachusetts Preservation Project in Boston.

The "Red Shop" enjoyed a very busy summer. This site was open every Sunday afternoon from May 24th through September 7th. The "Red Shop" opened for many outside Historical Commissions from Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York; and a bus with twenty-two Historical Commissions which traveled from Tennessee through Maryland also made its way to the "Red Shop".

We wish to thank Administrator John Hayes, the Board of Selectmen, Representative Richard T. Moore, and all the towns people who came to our aid to save "The Red Shop".

Sincerely,

Olga Till,
Chairman

HOPEDALE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS, 01747

ANNUAL REPORT

1986-87

The membership of the Hopedale Conservation Commission changed during the year when long time member William Francis, III resigned. He was replaced by Walter Swift as a result of joint approval between the Conservation Commission and the Board of Selectmen.

The Conservation Commission continued to meet as necessary throughout the year, conducting six public hearings and eight regular and special meetings. The Conservation Commission's energy shifted from a primary emphasis on approval of new development to the monitoring and enforcement of its Orders of Condition on continuing projects. As the fiscal year closed, the Commission still had eleven active projects with the largest being Pinecrest II. Commission members generally felt that improved writing of the Orders of Conditions and a heightened level of monitoring combined with a higher level of response by individual developers had resulted in the past year, in a significantly better conformance to wetlands regulations and a heightened sensitivity on the part of developers to those requirements.

This year also saw a joint effort by the Commission, the Park Commissioners and a group of concerned citizens work together to resolve a problem in the Parklands that had resulted from the Forestry Commission's cutting project. While none of the agencies involved was completely satisfied, the resolution was felt to be in both the best interests of the Town and of the Parklands.

As the year closed, the Commission's interest was almost evenly divided between the monitoring of previously approved projects and expressed concern about the prospects for continued development in our community. Regulations approved during the current year have added a wildlife habitat concern to the Commission's authority. This, combined with our previous experience, should provide local residents with the comfort that the remaining wetlands in our community will be reasonably and sufficiently protected.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald A. Hayes, Chairman
Hopedale Conservation Commission

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747

REPORT OF THE FORESTRY COMMISSION
FOR THE YEAR 1987

The present members of this Commission were appointed to fill vacancies within the past year, as a result of controversy surrounding recent forestry operations within the Hopedale Parklands. This controversy also led to the resignation of the Town's agent for the operations on April 28, 1987.

The present Commission (Mr. Sawyer having replaced Mr. James Gardner, who was appointed in January and recently moved from town) has attempted to co-ordinate with the Park Commission on clean-up efforts in the Parklands. Because of state statutes, municipal legal structure, and the situation at hand, it serves in an advisory capacity.

This Commission recommends to future Forestry Commissions the extremely careful monitoring of any future forestry operations by all parties involved. More concrete procedural guidelines will be submitted to the Selectmen at a future date so that a repeat of the present situation can be avoided.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas H. Williams, Chairman
John D. Clinkman Jr.
David H. Sawyer

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747

REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR FISCAL YEAR '87

Marketing of available industrial properties has been conducted during the past year by the Blackstone Valley Regional Development Corporation. A copy of their calendar year activities has previously been given to the Finance Committee and to the Board of Selectmen.

Direct contact by the Industrial Development Commission has been minimal. Owners of major commercial properties have been contacted to make them aware of the Commissions existance. No requests for assistance have been received.

There are currently no active members, other than the Chairman, on this commission. Several years experience has shown that without having town owned industrial land to develop there are few effective roles a part-time commission can play without direct requests by private owners, most of whom seem to prefer to run their own show. This led to the decision to help form and support the Regional Development Corporation. However, if useful projects are identified, the Chairman will request additional members be added to the commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Lawson
Chairman

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747

UPON APPOINTMENT AS INSECT PEST CONTROL OFFICER, I HAVE BEEN DEVOTING MY TIME TO THE DUTCH ELM DISEASE PROGRAM. THIS OFFICE HAS BEEN VACANT FOR SEVERAL YEARS LEAVING THE ELM TREES IN POOR CONDITION. SPRAYING WAS DONE IN 1987, MORE WILL BE DONE IN THE FUTUPE TO PRESERVE THESE TREES AND THE PLANTING OF NEW ONES.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

DAVE SAWYER

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Robert S. Phillips
Town Clerk

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Report of the Board of Registrars

The Board held six sessions before the Annual Town Election in March to allow residents entitled to vote the opportunity to register.

On March 25th, the Board held a meeting for the purpose of re-organization. Paul L. Bresciani was re-elected Chairman of the Board.

The Board held eight sessions to update the voting list and to create the list of residents 17 years and over in the Town of Hopedale booklet.

We also attended several Town Meetings to check voters.

The population of Hopedale as of January 1, 1987 was 4750, an increase of 219. The voter count is 2602, an increase of 29. The breakdown is as follows:

255	Republicans
672	Democrats
1687	Independents

Respectfully submitted,

Paul L. Bresciani, Chairman
Rolland J. Morin
Helen B. Hammond
Robert S. Phillips, Clerk

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747

SERVICE TO THE VETERAN AND DEPENDENTS

The Town of Hopedale has been granting financial and medical assistance to needy veterans since the Civil War. Today this program is administered by the Veterans' Service Department.

There are both benefits and services accorded the veteran. Benefits which relate to food, clothing, shelter and medical care for veterans of all wars and to their dependents. Services include VA Compensation, Pensions, Rehabilitation, counseling, Social Security, Supplemental Security Income and all other Federal benefits that may be due to a veteran and or his dependents.

Under Massachusetts Law, benefits received by veterans are paid for by the State and Town. Each year Hopedale budgets several thousand dollars for its assistance to veterans. The Town receives 75% reimbursement from the Commonwealth.

Any person who has proof that he, or she is a veteran, or a dependent of a veteran is entitled to file an application. Well over half of all residents in town have actual, or potential entitlement.

Veterans Benefits is a selective program based upon certain conditions established by law. The following are the three principal requirements:

1. War time service with a separation, or discharge under honorable conditions.

2. Legal residence in the Town

3. Financial need.

It should be noted that the following special programs are available for veterans who were exposed to Agent Orange, former prisoners of war, post traumatic stress disorder, service-connected disabled man and women veterans.

The Veterans' Service Department is confronted and will face caring for the aged and homeless veteran. Our efforts must continue to support legislation on behalf of this group of veterans.

VETERANS POPULATION

Veterans estimated ages:

Vietnam	39.7
Korean Conflict	55.8
World War 11	65.1
World War 1	89.1
Overall average	53.4

FINANCIAL REPORT

Veterans' Benefits		$20,000.00
Reimbursement by the Commonwealth	$11,700.00	
Refunds and assignments	8,087.00	

Veterans Administration Fiscal Year Expenditures:

Veteran Population	City	Amount
465	Hopedale	$361,265.00

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Criticism has been the reaction, at times, to our Veterans Programs, from all walks of life. But, I feel very strongly that the veterans and their dependents have received full consideration and accorded special attention to benefits administered under Federal and State Statute.

This goal has only been achieved through the understanding and compassion of the Board of Selectmen, who have given of their efforts to insure that the Veterans' Service Department's justifiable monetary benefits are met. The town has granted and fulfilled the needs of those who served.

Through the years the Veterans' Service Department administered benefits to our veterans efficiently and effectively within our capacity, but the only way this is achieved is due to the following people and their respective agencies:

Board of Selectmen
John Halachis, Commissioner of Veterans' Services & Staff
James Maye, Director, VA Regional Office, Boston & Staff
Senator Louis P. Bertonazzi
Representative Marie A. Parente
Local Veterans Organizations

My sincere thanks and appreciation to each for their assistance in making my job easier.

OFFICE OF

BUILDING COMMISSION

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS 01747

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER

During Fiscal Year 1987 there were a total of 178 permits issued from the Building Department. This is an approximate decrease of 10% over last years permits.

The estimated cost of construction was $7,836,476.00 and the fees collected were $20,673.75.

The breakdown of types of construction is as follows:

Single family:	70
Commercial and Residential:	4
Garages:	6
Demolition:	6
Miscellaneous: (additions, alterations, pools, sheds, etc.)	82
Solid fuel burning permits:	10

Respectfully submitted,

Edward F. Small
Building Commissioner

APPRAISEMENT OF TOWN PROPERTY

JUNE 30, 1987

TOWN HALL	
Town Hall	774,000.00
Town Hall Stone Fixtures	2,000.00
Town Hall Furniture & Fixtures	25,000.00
Town Hall Office Furniture & Equipment	45,000.00
Town Hall Water Department	10,000.00
LIBRARY	
Bancroft Memorial Library, Building	645,000.00
Bancroft Memorial Library, Books & Fixtures	392,000.00
Fountain of Hope	90,000.00
WATER	
Mains, hydrants, etc.	178,000.00
Standpipe	250,000.00
Pumping Station, Mill Street	86,300.00
Pumping Station, Greene Street	2,000.00
Water Department; Greene Street well field	5,000.00
Wells & Suction Connections	38,000.00
Machinery & Equipment	75,000.00
Small Tools	10,000.00
Compressor	3,500.00
Supplies	12,000.00
Storage Building	6,000.00
1986 Chevrolet Truck	13,000.00
POLICE	
1987 Ford LTD	12,000.00
1986 Ford LTD	8,000.00
1985 Ford LTD	2,000.00
Equipment	15,000.00
FIRE	
Fire Station	706,000.00
Equipment, Furniture & Apparatus	116,000.00
1947 American LaFrance 1,000 gal. Pumper	2,000.00
1961 International 750 gal. Pumper	10,000.00
1968 Maxim 1,000 gal. pumper	21,000.00
1952 Reo Tank Truck	1,000.00
1973 Maxim Ladder Truck	72,000.00
1979 GMC Rescue Truck	7,500.00
SEWER	
Treatment Plant Building and Equipment	6,500,000.00
Garage	7,500.00
1982 GMC Dump Truck	7,500.00
1982 GMC Pick-up	1,800.00
1984 Ford Pick-up	3,000.00
1966 International Front End Loader	3,000.00

SEWER (continued)

Outside Structures	20,000.00
Equipment	6,000.00
Sewer Roder	12,000.00

PARK

Band Stand, including tools	15,000.00
Comfort Station	1,200.00
Bath House	15,000.00
Playground Equipment	4,000.00
Park Garage	4,900.00
Tool House	1,500.00
1986 John Deere Tractor	8,000.00

SCHOOL HOUSE

School House, Park Street School	145,000.00
Furniture & Fixtures	10,000.00
General Draper High School Building	1,988,700.00
Furniture & Fixtures	100,000.00
Memorial Elementary School	804,100.00
Furniture & Fixtures	50,000.00
1986 International Bus	28,000.00
1979 Chevrolet Bus	10,000.00
1981 International Bus	15,000.00
1986 International Bus	28,000.00
1979 Van	1,500.00
1987 Van	16,000.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

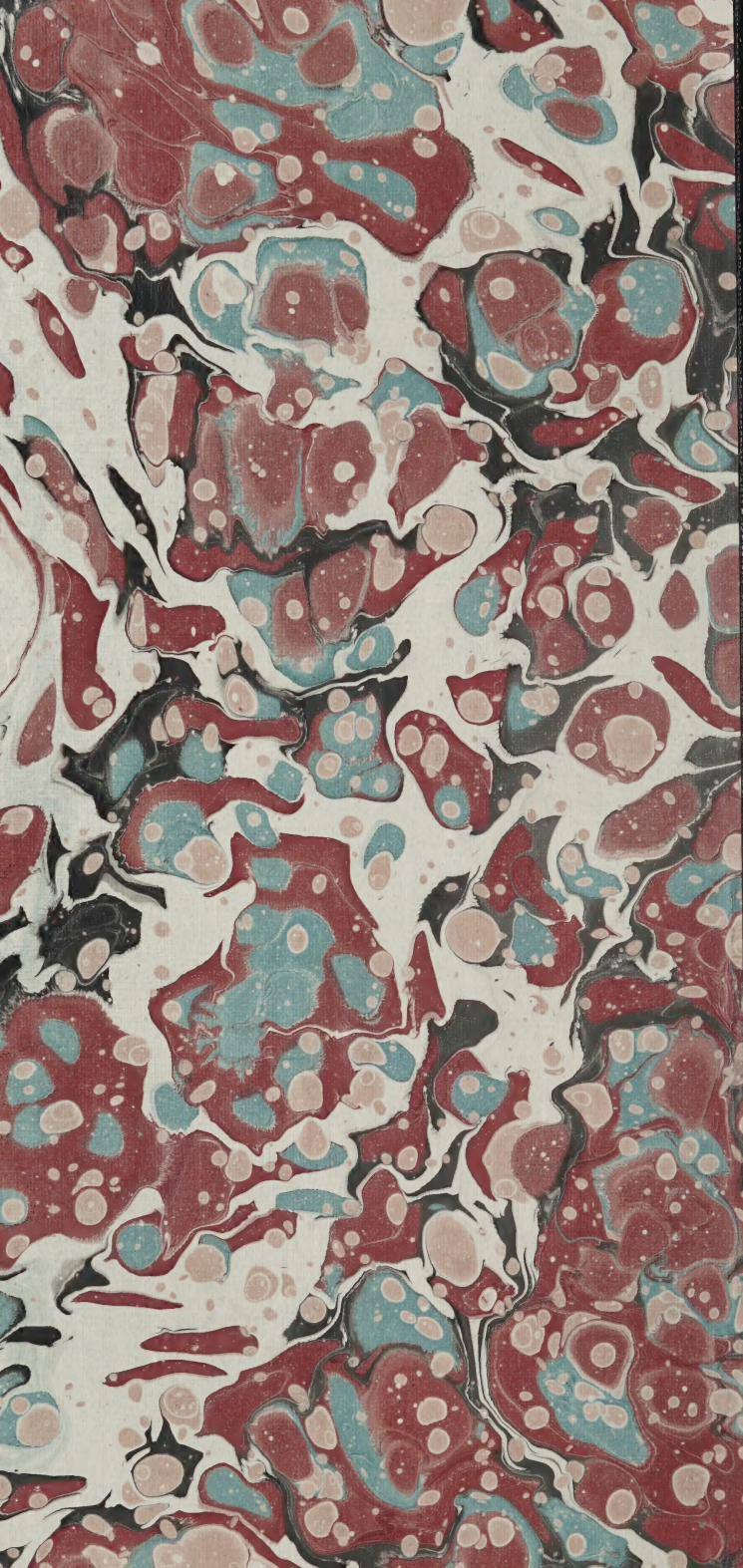
1986 Ford One-Ton Dump Truck	20,000.00
1981 Chevrolet Pick-up	3,000.00
1981 GMC One-Ton Dump Truck	6,000.00
1978 International Dump Truck	3,000.00
1974 White Dump Truck	5,000.00
1973 International Sander	2,000.00
1987 FMC Vanguard Sweeper	75,000.00
1976 Caterpillar Front End Loader	48,000.00
1960 Ford Sander	10,000.00
1963 Ford Catch Basin Cleaner	6,000.00
1970 Sidewalk Tractor	1,500.00
1963 Divco Sidewalk Tractor	500.00
1985 Leaf Blower	11,000.00
Garage	300,000.00
Small tools & equipment	25,000.00
Salt Shed	20,010.00

TOWN BUILDINGS

Red Shop (Land & Building)	17,200.00
Municipal Garage	100,000.00

MILL STREET GOLF COURSE

Garage	7,350.00
Shed	1,150.00
Buildings	85,000.00

PROPERTY	MAP #	ACRES	
PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS			
Playground/Dutcher St.	2-1	6.18	95,600.00
Adin Ballou Park	2-2	.52	34,300.00
Park/Adin & Mendon Sts.	2-4	1.08	18,500.00
Playground/So. Main St.	2-8	14.21	34,800.00
Playground/Mellen St.	2-7 & 8	14.17	37,400.00
PARKLANDS			
Hopedale & Northrop/Rear	2-3	195.9	218,500.00
West of Pond	2-5	12.37	21,600.00
Salt Box Rd.	2-6	31.5	34,300.00
Pond-Island-Flowage	3-19	36.0	31,400.00
(Pat Dillon Prop.) now Town of Hopedale	3-113	3.82	3,300.00
SCHOOLS			
Park Street	1-3	1.59	2,451.00
General Draper High School	1-12	4.154	60,000.00
Adin School	1-13	.75	42,100.00
Memorial School	1-17	10.26	100,000.00
CEMETERIES			
South Hopedale Cemetery	1-6		35,000.00
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT			
Garage	1-11	.47	20,100.00
Municipal Garage	1-25	.72	10,000.00

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